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Trade Deficit Hits 9-Year Low in U.S. as Exports Swell

Dollar Moves Higher On February Figures And New Jobless Data

By Lawrence Malkin NEW YORK - Despite a slowing world

NEW YORK — Despite a slowing world economy, rising U.S. exports helped shrink the rade deficit in February to \$3.4 billion, its lowest level in nine years, the Commerce Department said Thursday.

Another, more besitant sign of economic strength also appeared in shrinking weekly unemployment figures. Together, the statistics work up dollar buyers in the closing hours before the Easter weekend.

The dollar jumped over half a prennig work and against the Deutsche mark in New York and

Profits rose at three big U.S. banks, while Security Pacific posted a loss. Page 11.

improved by half a yen on hopes for a U.S. recovery buoyed by overseas trade. The U.S. currency also finished higher in European trad-

The 43 percent drop in the trade deficit from \$5.95 billion in January was led by a \$1.6 billion increase in manufacturing exports. About \$1 billion of that increase represented shipments billion of the increase represented shipments. of jet sineraft, always the most volatile compo-

free anti-all, always the host value component of the statistics.

From the first anti-all always the host value country, and the steady rise of U.S. exports to statistical western Europe to a surplus of \$2.63 billion in catched. February, which also accounts for much of the horder narrowing of the deficit, would not continue as

founded: the European economies weaken.

The content of Morgan Stanley that resilient U.S. exports a strong would "continue to support" the American

"There was a new record in exports when the test of the world was in a downtrend," Mr.

Cynthia Latta of DRI/McGraw Hill said U.S. exports would still be in demand in Latin America and Asia, where the U.S. trade surplus also has been growing or at least remained

These nations hope to join world markets,

the said, which means an opening for capital
goods and infrastructure equipment, in which
we are very competitive.

Imports fell \$136 million in February to \$412 billion, but that was largely due to lower oil prices, which have since risen.

Imports of consumer goods rose slightly in February, by \$165 million to \$9.68 billion; an conomic recovery would continue to put pressure on this sector.

But Mr. Roach said he did not expect to see a repeat of the huge growth of imports in the 1980s, because a cheaper dollar makes foreign goods more expensive and domestic goods therefore better able to compete against them

The Labor Department, meanwhile, reported that new claims for unemployment benefits during the week that ended April 4 fell by 18,000 to 415,000, the lowest level in six months. This put the figure back even with the end of last October, when claims suddenly started rising as the economy relapsed from its SUBMICE TECOVERY.

Weekly claims are among the most volatile, and therefore undependable, labor market sta-tistics. But Labor Secretary Lynn Martin said the latest batch of data provided "further evidence that business activity is strengthening and layoffs are on the decline."

Independent economists were more reserved. Samuel Kahan of Fuji Securities in Chicago said, "One can stick out one's neck a little here and say that improvement in the U.S. economy, hinted at in housing and retail sales data, is now becoming reinforced by the labor market."
In currency trading on Thursday, news agen-

In New York, the dollar rose strongly against all the major currencies after the release of the American economic data

But trading came to a virtual standstill by early afternoon as European and other players squared their positions ahead of the long holi-

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U.S. stock and bond markets will be closed Friday, and foreign exchange desks will be lightly staffed. All the European foreign ex-change markets will be closed Friday and Mon-

Earlier, in London, the unexpectedly strong U.S. data eased some of the market's worries bout the American economy, sending the dol-

Robin Aspinall, currency strategist at I. Hen-ly Schroder Wagg, said of the figures: "They were certainly dollar-friendly. The dollar had dearly wanted to go higher and they were the

The dollar closed in New York at 1.6695 See TRADE, Page 12

Will De Benedetti Serve Time in Jail?

Analysts Expect Ambrosiano Fraud Conviction to Fall

By Barry James international Herold Tribune

Carlo De Benedetti, the Italian financier who built up the Olivetti business conglomerate and created an international empire rang-ing from food to fashion, was convicted Thursday and sentenced to six years in prison for his role in the fraudulent bankruptcy of Banco Ambrosiano.

It was Italy's worst postwar banking failure and a scandal that reached to the Vatican. Mr. De Benedetti remained free pending an appeal. He earned a golden reputation in the heady 1980s for his ability to take over moribund companies, like Olivetti SpA, and

turn them into money-spinners.

A three-judge court in Milan accepted the prosecution's case that the 57-year-old financier had illicitly profited from his 65-day spell as deputy chairman of the Ambrosiano bank, from which he resigned in January 1982. The court will publish the full reasons for its verdict in several weeks.

Mr. De Benedetti has maintained that he

was kept in the dark by Roberto Calvi, Am-

Mr. Calvi was found hanging under a Lon-don bridge two months before the bank crashed with debts of \$1 billion in 1982. Although the death was officially ruled a suicide, an informer told invesogators last year that the Mafia had murdered Mr. Calvi.

Mr. De Benedetti was one of 33 people sentenced in the Amhrosiano affair. One of them was Licio Gelli, the former bead of the banned P-2 (for Propaganda Duc) Masonic lodge, which had tentacles throughout Italian industry, political circles, the armed forces and intelligence. He received a sentence of 18 years and six months.

Lawyers lodged appeals on behalf of all the defendants Mr. De Benedetti, who was not in the crowded courtroom to bear the verdict, will not have to start serving his sentence until the appeal process is completed. Judi-cial experts said this could stretch out for

Financial and legal analysts said it was

unlikely that Mr. De Benedetti would have to go to jail. They said they expected the verdict to be overturned either by an appeal court or the supreme court.

It is "extremely unlikely" that Mr. De Benedetti will serve a jail sentence, said Ma-rie-Christine Keith, of County NatWest. "But then," she said. "some people did not think it was likely he would be sentenced." Mr. De Benedetti is chairman, chief executive officer and president of Ing. C. Olivetti &

Stocks in Olivetti and in Mr. De Benedet-u's industrial holdings, Compagnie Indus-triali Riumin in Italy and CERUS in France, fell sharply following the announcement of the verdict, but later recovered some ground. Financial analysts said the verdict should not affect Olivetti. the world's minth largest

computer and information technology group The fall in price was "psychological," said

See BANK, Page 4 takes the sheen off a golden reputation.



Mr. De Benedetti: Court ruling officially



Palestinian women passing by closed shops in East Jerusalem on Thursday. A strike was also called in the West Bank and Gaza Strip to protest sanctions imposed on Libva.

Libya Expels **Some Diplomats** In Retaliation

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatcher

TRIPOLI - Libya on Thursday began expelling diplomats of countries that supported UN sanctions against Tripoli, and Moammar Gadhafi's government assailed the sanctions as a plot against Islam.

Countries across Europe and the Middle East canceled all flights to Tripoli. Algeria's state radio announced that Air Algeria, the national carrier, also had suspended all flights, purportedly because they would be uninsurable

At the United Nations, the Security Council's Libya sanctions committee approved guidelines Thursday for permitting humanitarian flights to and from Tripoli, but has not yet received any requests for such flights, its chairman said:

The sanctions committee chairman, Andre Erdos, Hungary's UN ambassador, said that three main categories of humanitarian flights were envisaged — flights to evacuate foreign nationals wishing to leave Libya, flights to accommodate people wishing to take part in the annual pilgrimage to Mecca, and cases of medical emergency.

Under temporary guidelines agreed on by the committee, such flights would be approved automatically within 48 hours of the receipt of a formal request, provided no member of the committee objected. This is referred to as the no objection procedure.

Mr. Erdos said no requests had yet been received for permission to evacuate foreigners from Libya although one was expected soon from South Korea.

Libya summoned diplomats from Britain,

France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Belgium, See LIBYA, Page 3

Japan, in First, Punishes Sex Harassers

By Steven R. Weisman New York Times Service

TOKYO - In a decision hailed by women's groups as the first successful legal action against sexual harassment in Japan, a district court ruled Thursday that a company and one of its male employees had violated a woman's rights because of crude remarks that drove her to quit her job.

The action by a local court in Fukuoka in southern Japan was featured as a main story in newspapers and television broadcasts Thursday evening as a startling triumph for Japan's small feminist movement that could have far-reaching effects in the workplace.

"This is the first case in which verbal comments by a man have been found to constitute sexual harassment," said Yukiko Tsun-oda, a lawyer in the case. "Sexual harassment is a big problem in Japan, and we hope this will send a signal to men that they have to be

women's movement in Japan is minuscule in size and has had few legal victories. The issue of sexual harassment has risen only in the last three years as one of the few major issues the movement has tried to advance.

Women's groups and women generally say that sexual approaches by men - from touching to suggestive remarks - are the norm in Japanese workplaces. Some 40 percent of the Japanese work force is female, but most hold clerical jobs in which they are known as "office ladies," or "O.L.'s."

It was unclear whether the defendants, who were ordered to pay the equivalent of \$12,500 to the woman, would appeal the case. The names of all the parties in the lawsuit, including the 34-year-old plaintiff, were withheld to

protect their privacy.

The suit involved an unmarried woman employed by a small publishing company in the city of Fukuoka who charged that one of

By comparison to other countries, the her supervisors had spread rumors about her, saying that she had a reputation for promiscurty. She tried to get him to stop, she testi-fied, but was advised instead to quit. In an interview with The New York Times

in 1989, the woman said that she had taken her complaint to two arbitrators, a man and a woman, who told ber that she should be

flattered by the man's attentions. They said. These rumors are better than no rumors at all," she recalled then.

The filing of the lawsuit in Fukuoka was so unusual that, hy itself, it touched off commentary all over Japan about sexual harassment, stirring debates among men and women in the news media and in offices.

Many male columnists ridiculed the idea as a passing fad from the United States, saying the lawsuits would spoil the harmony and sense of fun at the workplace. The author of a

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A New Turn in Fight Against Crib Death

Los Angeles Times Service

LOS ANGELES — A healthy baby born at term should be placed to sleep on the side or the back, not the stomach, according to a new report by the American Academy of Pediatrics.

The recommendation follows a review of a growing number of

medical studies from around the world supporting a link between the stomach-down, or prone, sleeping position and an increased risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome. The syndrome, which is the leading cause of death for babies between the ages of 1 month and 1 year, is commonly known SIDS, or crib death.

"The weight of the evidence implicates the prone position as a significant risk factor for SIDS," said the academy, a leading organiza-

Although sudden infant death is uncommon, it is a major source of

apprehension among parents. Each year, there are about 4 million live births in the United States and 6,000 crib deaths.

The report was made public Wednesday at an academy meeting in New York City. In it, researchers acknowledged that a link between the syndrome and sleeping position had not been proven and that the cause of crib death was not known. "We do not know what impact this will have," said Dr. John Brooks of the University of Rochester Medical Center in New York, who helped prepare the report.

Most crib death cases occur in apparently bealthy infants under 6 months who had been put to bed with no sign of illness. The peak incidence is between 2 and 3 months of age, with few cases before 2 weeks or after 6 months. Bahies born prematurely and those who have suffered prior life-threatening events are at greater risk and account for See CRIB, Page 3

Crassword

Najibullah **Yields Power** As Guerrillas Near Kabul

Army Officers Stop Him From Fleeing Country, U.S. Warns of Anarchy

By Edward A. Gargan

New York Times Service
NEW DELHI — In what may be the concluding chapter in the bloody 13-year Afghan War — the last conflict that pitted the interests of the United States against those of the former

Soviet Union on the battlefield — President Najibullah resigned Thursday. Although General Najibullah had declared his intention to relinquish power to an interim government by the end of the month, in the post few days his power eroded severely in the face of dramatic military advances toward the capi-tal made hy mujahidin and defecting govern-

On Thursday night, the former president. who led Alghanistan for six years, was said to have taken refuge in the offices of the United Nations in Kahul, the capital, after having been prevented by army officers from leaving the

Ghulam Farooq Yaqubi, the feared head of the secret police, the KHAD, committed surcide Thursday, according to Abdul Wakil, the

Mr. Wakil appeared on Kahul television and denounced General Najihullah as "a hated dic-tator who had been an obstacle to peace," and said that the general had resigned from all his government and party posts. Mr. Wakil said that power had been transferred to four vice presidents and the executive committee of the governing Homeland Party.

Mr. Wakil said that all governmental authority would be transferred to a United Nationsspansored interim administration in the next

The war, a conflict that left more than 2 million people dead, hecame an ideological crucible for President Ronald Reagan, who saw it as a battle against the evils of communism. For the Soviet Union, Afghanistan became a

quagmire much the way Vietnam was for the United States in the 1960s and '70s. At Mr. Reagan's urging, hundreds of mil-lions of dollars were pumped to fslamic fundamentalist rebel groups, the mujahidin, who waged a relentless, if fractious, guerrilla war against the Soviets, and when they left, the Najihullah government. For their part, the Soviets continued supplying arms to the Kabul

Last year, the United States and the former Soviet government agreed to stop supplying weapons to the conflict, and in January, Pakistan, which had vigorously supported the Is-lamic guerrilla forces, also halted arms shipments, it appeared then, both because of the stanching of the weapons flow and because of the increasingly divisive conflicts among guerrilla groups, that the mujahidin had failed in

their struggle. But the events of the last month, and particularly the last 10 days, showed that the Kahul government's greatest threat lay not so much with the mujahidin, but with defecting army and militia units. Those defections, and the subsequent alliances that were formed, appear to have undermined General Naiihullah's chances of transferring power in an orderly manner under a United Nations peace plan.

[The United States warned Thursday that Afghanistan could be headed toward anarchy, Reuters reported from Washington.

[The State Department spokesman, Marga-ret D. Tutwiler, reiterated Washington's earlier call for all factions to cooperate with the UN peace plan. She said the United States understood that General Najibullah remained in Ka-

"We know that there are countries where he could seek asylum," she said, "but we are not

going into any details at this time."]
While most reports Thursday indicated that
General Najibullah had sought refuge in a UN facility in Kahul, ftar-Tass reported from the capital that he had been placed under arrest. Agence France-Presse said late Thursday

that senior army commanders had prevented General Najihullah from leaving the country. Comments by Mr. Wakil seemed to suggest that General Najihullah's whereabouts were unknown

Those who are with Najihullah should turn him over to the appropriate authorities," he

It appeared Thursday that the UN-sponsored peace plan, which envisioned General Najibullah passing power to a council of 15 "neutral" Afghans, and from then to a transitional government, bad been crippled by the pace of events.

At the moment, a loose coalition of governmeni militia, army and mujahidin forces have taken control of the north of the country and pose the most immediate threat to the capital. Some reports Thursday said that members of that coalition had captured the international

See KABUL, Page 2

Peru's leader is acting like the emperor he

House Republicans wimper under the

The New Korean War: Unstoppable Tycoon vs. Seoul

By Laurence Zuckerman

International Herald Tribune SEOUL - Each morning for the past few months, residents of this bustling capital have opened their newspapers looking for the answer to a single question: Is there anything that will stop Chung Ju Yung?

Ever since Mr. Chang, the retired chairman of the giant Hyundai conglomerate, began feating with the government of President Roh Tae Woo last fall, the government has used almost its entire traditional arsenal of weapons short of outright violence — to bring him to

Tax officials descended on Mr. Chung's home and several Hyumdai companies, present-ing each with multimillion-dollar claims. Hyundan's access to credit has been blocked, and at east six Hyundai executives have been arrested

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on various charges. Still, the 76-year-old, ragsto-riches billionaire keeps coming, drawing on his own considerable arsenal, not the least of which is his enormous wealth, which exceeds \$2.5 billion in Hyundai stock alone.

In January, Mr. Chung organized the Unifi-cation National Party, and the party stunned government officials by winning 31 seats in the 299-member National Assembly in the March elections, mostly at the expense of the governing Democratic Liberal Party.

During the campaign, Mr. Chung embarrassed Mr. Roh by revealing that he had given the president 26 billion won (\$33 million) in secret donations between 1988 and 1990. Mr. Roh contended that the money was given to charity, an explanation few Koreans appear to

As the campaigo gets under way to choose

Mr. Roh's successor in the presidential election demanded that authorities look into a recent in December, neither side appears to be back- corporate takeover involving Mr. Roh's son-in-

On Thursday, Chung Mong Hon, a son of Mr. Chung and vice chairman of Hyundai Merchant Marine Co., was told to appear before said Suh Sang Mok, a member of the National evasion; he is expected to be arrested Saturday. party's Policy Coordination Office.

Two former Hyundai presidents who are advisers to Mr. Chung were arrested earlier this week amid allegations that the merchant ma-rine unit operated a multimillion-dollar slush fund. There are even hints that the government might try to discredit Mr. Chang by raising questions about his personal life.

For his part, Mr. Chung has reportedly said that a thorough investigation of other secret funds would very quickly lead to the Blue House, the presidential residence, and he has

law and other deals that might embarrass the

prosecutors for questioning on charges of tax. Assembly and director general of the ruling

No one knows for sure why Mr. Chung decided to take on the government. Critics say he is showing his age. Others speculate that his resentment dates from 1980, when the government of Chun Doo Hwan took away a Hyundai factory without compensation. Still others say he was insulted by Mr. Roh, who has favored other chaebol, or business conglomerates, such as Hyundai's arch-rival, Daewoo Corp.

Mr. Chung says his motivation is simple: to See KOREA, Page 4

Kiosk

U.S. Permits Israelis To Sell Jets to Taipei

WASHINGTON (AP) - The United States has given Israel permission to sell Taiwan Israeli-made jet fighters containing U.S.-built engines, administration officials say.

The permission was granted in the midst of a heated dispute between Washington and Jerusalem over what U.S. officials describe as intelligence reports that Israel sold U.S. weapons technology to China and other countries without Washington's approval.

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McDonnell Douglas's commercial aircraft.

may not be able to finance its planned 12.74 40 percent stake in 3.386.50 The Dollar Page 15.

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OUT OF GAS, OUT OF PATIENCE — Dozens of Romanians blocking traffic in Bucharest on Thursday to draw attention to a chronic shortage of natural gas for use in their homes. Analysts say the Romanian economy has made headway after two years of reforms, but some vestiges of the Communist era persist.

atia, has been sliding into all-out war since the Muslims and Croats

voted for independence from Yu-

goslavia last month and the minor-

Mr. Vance planned to meet lead-

ers of the rival ethnic groups and

the Yugoslav Army commander in Bosnia, whom the Muslims and

Croats accuse of siding with Serbi-

an irregular forces that have

stormed several Bosnian towns and

Serbs Mobilize in Bosnia as Vance Urges Peace

ity Serbs rebelled.

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina - Cyrus R. Vance, the United Nations envoy, began a peace mission in Bosnia-Herzegovina on Thursday to persuade Serbia to stop interfering in the former Yu-goslav republic.

Mr. Vance issued a new appeal for rival Serbs, Muslims and Croats to stop fighting over Bosnia's newly won independence and search for peace in talks with the European

But Serbian leaders ordered local part of Bosnia that they have taken . month.

ret D. Tutwiler.

France, Britain and Portugal, which currently

"Our message to Serbian civilian and mili-

Washington Post Service
TOKYO — North Korea's latest pronouncement on its nuclear energy program

has surprised Western analysts because the

secretive regime has evidently revealed the

existence of a reactor that was previously

The North Korea government made pub-

lic on Wednesday a documentary video about three nuclear reactors it has built. But

only two of the reactors were familiar to

of the North's atomic installations through

"All we can say at this point is, the plot thickens," said Leonard S. Spector, an expert

on nuclear proliferation at the Washington-

based Carnegie Endowment for Internation-

didn't know about. So of course you start to

think what else is there we don't know

Everybody is scratching his head trying to figure this out," Mr. Spector went on.
There is apparently a third reactor we

stern experts who have tried to keep track

unknown in the West.

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tinued skirmishes.

"The only solution that can be found is not be found at the end of the barrel of a gun, but in support-ing negotiations which I think have been conducted very well under Cutilheiro," Mr. Vance said, refer-ring to José Cutilheiro, the envoy from the European Community.

Mr. Vance, a former U.S. secretary of state, was sent by the Unit-ed Nations to take a first-hand look But Serbian leaders ordered local at the fighting, in which more than military units to mobilize in a huge 100 people have been killed this

over in protest of the republic's secession from Yugoslavia. Four more deaths were reported in con
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Army leaders in Belgrade who assured him they wanted peace and the property of the washing from Vise. sured him they wanted peace and denied any blame for the blood-

> Leaders of the self-proclaimed Serbian republic in Bosma said they faced an imminent threat of war and ordered the territorial de-fense, or home guard, forces to mo-22,000, in a two-day thrust from bilize, a regional news agency said. the nearby Serbian border.

Sarajevo radio said four people had been killed since Wednesday in

Bosnia, three of them in Sarajevo, ken them over. where sporadic shooting could be Mr. Vance held talks on Wednes-beard Thursday morning.

Angry Over Bosnia, U.S. Threatens Serbs' Status counded early this week with hundreds of mortar rounds and rockets, after which thousands of troops backed by tanks and other armored vehicles moved patiently through the town's outskirts and into its

> The United States has condemned both the army and Serbia for strategy and tactics that Washington says are "clearly aimed at promoting the forcible disintegra-tion of Bosnia-Herzegovina."
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> The president of Serbia, Slobo-

tan Post reported earlier from Vise-grad, Bosnia-Herzegovina:

huge, intimidating army advance that significantly elevated the scale

of Bosnia's spreading ethnic war.

Approaches to Visegrad were

dan Milosevic, has refused to accept Bosnian secession, declaring that the Serb minority there is threatened with genocide — a claim that Western governments chamiss as a pretext for an illegal

Mr. Milosevic said Wednesday

land grab by Serbian forces.

that he welcomed UN efforts to ing concern over "backward steps" bring peace to Bosnia, and said that that could threaten Russia's eco-Mr. Vance's views on halting the nomic changes. fighting there were "identical with the views of Serbia."

Moscow Claims a Mandate on **Economy**

By Michael Dobbs Washington Post Service

MOSCOW - The Russian govemment said Thursday that it had been given a free hand to implement its program of economic shock therapy after winning what amounted to a vote of confidence from the Russian parliament.
Deputy Prime Minister Yegor T.

Gaidar told a press conference that a declaration of support from the Congress of People's Deputies, the parliament, had saved the country from "irresponsible populism." He said that a resignation threat by the team of young economic reformers had helped to restore a balance at the Congress between conserva-tives and radicals.

"The Congress opened with an aggressive attack by traditionalist forces on the government's course," said Mr. Gaidar, the chief economic strategist to President Boris N. Yeltsin. "I think that a balance was reached between the opponents and supporters of re-

While the government appears to have won some political breathing space after the infighting at the Congress, it also faces mounting economic problems over the next few months

Mr. Gaidar acknowledged that the government would be obliged to relax stringent austerity policies that have been endorsed by West-ern governments and the Interna-tional Monetary Fund in order to The Serb-dominated Yugoslav Army, ignoring U.S. charges that it is dismembering newly indepen-dent Bosnia, has seized control of prevent the bankruptcy of thousands of state compan

Modifications to the progr agreed to with the Monetary Fund include the relaxation of credit Most of the town's residents, controls, a postponement in the libnearly two-thirds of whom are eralization of energy prices and an increase in pensions and wages for Slavic Muslims, appeared to have fled in the face of what has been a public sector employees.

Mr. Gaidar said that the mea-sures would result in a significant increase in inflation but were necessary in order to avert a "dramatic downfall in production.

"In our view," he said, "this would be both socially and economically too high a price to pay

For the moment, Western offi-cials appear to be willing to accept a certain amount of backsliding by the present Russian government, which they regard as preferable to any of the likely alternatives. The conservative onslanght at the Congress has allowed the Gaidar team to project an international image of being responsible economic re-formers constantly under challenge

by hard-liners. International support for the Yeltsin administration was reflected in a statement by the visiting U.S. Treasury secretary, Nicholas F. Brady, earlier this week express-

Mr. Brady made it clear that his criticism was aimed at the parliament rather than the government, even though the government has begun to dilute its own reforms.

A Shorter Name

The Russian parliament voted Thursday to change the name of the country from the Russian Sovi-et Federative Socialist Republic to Russia, The Associated Press reported from Moscow.

The Congress voted, 871 to 30 with 30 abstentions, to amend the constitution to shorten the name to Rossiya, or Russia.

Airbus Loses Engine Cover, Lands Safely

PARIS - An A-320 Airbus plane belonging to France's Air-Inter domestic sinline re-turned to Paris's Orly airport Thursday when the cover fell off one of its engines after takeoff, officials said.

No one was hurt on the plane, which was bound for the eastern city of Mulhouse. Airline officials said the safety of the aircraft and its passengers was not threatened.

Incidents involving the ul-trasophisticated Airbus have been under scrutiny since an Air-Inter A-320 crashed into a mountain near Strasbourg in January, killing 87-people on board. Nine survived.

Some airline pilots unions have suggested that the plane's flight computers were too advanced and lulled flight crews into a false sense of security. The wide-bodied European-

built Airbus has been an international commercial success.

Kenya Magazine Editor And Wife Are Arrested

Thursday arrested the editor of a sustain magazine that has been criticizing the government, his lawyer said.
The editor and his wife, a director when a control of the con Thursday arrested the editor of a of the publication, were seized as they reported to work.

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WORLD BRIEFS

U.S. Limits Use of Silicone Implants

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Food and Drug Administration said Friday that it would restrict the use of afficone gel breast implants for purely cosmetic reasons but would permit implants for women with breast cancer. The agency commissioner, Dr. David A. Kessler, said the implants would be available only for controlled clinical studies.

The mighly conscious that some women need these implants for the property of the controlled clinical studies.

reconstruction after cancer surgery or traumatic injury, or for certain congenital disorders," Dr. Kessler said. "While this policy is meant to be compessionate toward these patients, it is not to be interpreted a

Consumer groups have complained that the implants leak and can cause cancer and autoimmune disease. Dow Corning Corp., the developer of the implants, got out of the business last month under a storm of lawsuits and bad publicity. business as usual."

Stasi's Church Spies Are Put at 3,000

BERLIN (Renters) - The Stari security police of the former East Germany had more than 3,000 informers in the Protestant Church, and some retain important posts today, the news magazine Der Spiegel reported Thursday.

A spokesman for the German government's Stasi archive agency, David Gill, could neither confirm nor deny the report but called it premature. Der Spiegel has broken a series of Stasi scandals recently, quoting dossiers from the archives.

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According to Der Spiegel, the East German church, which was considered the only independent institution in the former Communist state, harbored at least 3,000 informers, including bishops, among its 40,000 to 50,000 clerics and lay officials. A former church official who has popped up in Stasi files under the code name "Maltese Faicon" is now a senior aide in the Justice Ministry of the Eastern German state of Brandenburg.

2 Ethiopian Factions Agree on Truce

NAIROBI (AP) — The dominant faction in Ethiopia's transitional government and the Oromo ethnic group have agreed on an immediate cease-fire mediated by the United States, Ethiopian radio said Thursday. The report, monitored in Nairobi, said the two factions, which had been edoing toward all-rate civil ways stand the account of the said that the respective toward all-rate civil ways stand the same said the said the said that the said that the said the said the said that the been edging toward all-out civil war, signed the agreement in the northentown of Makale on Wednesday.

The Oromo Liberation Front and the Ethiopian People's Revolution.

The Oromo Liberation Front and the Ethiopian recipies Accounting any Democratic Front have been engaged for months in an escalating series of clashes in eastern and southern Ethiopia. President Meles Zenawi, head of both the provisional government and the Revolutionary Democratic Front, warned last month that the nation could be headed for a new civil war if the dispute was not resolved through negotiation.

Kenya Air Force Plane Crash Kills 50

NAIROBI (AP) — A Kenya Air Force transport plane crashed and burst into a ball of fire in a Nairobi suburb Thursday, killing all 45 people aboard and 5 on the ground, the police said.

The twin-engine Buffalo slammed into the ground between two houses in a working-class neighborhood on the city's east side, setting both structures of in A police and a said above a said above.

structures afire. A police spokesman said three men, a woman and a child burned to death in the homes. He added that the passengers included air force and army personnel.

An air force spokesman said the pilot reported mechanical problems shortly after takeoff from the nearby Moi Air Base and was trying to

TRAVEL UPDATE

Bus and Métro Strike Cripples Paris

PARIS (Renters) - Paris commuters faced long waits on Thursday as a strike severely disrupted Metro, bus and commuter rail services. The city transportation authority, RATP, said about one bus in four was running. One Metro line was closed, and service on other lines was reduced between 30 percent and 70 percent. On the RER suburban train

network, the main commuter line from southern Paris was closed.

Seven trade unions called the 34-hour strike from Wednesday night is protest against reorganization plans, shift hours and bonus conditions. But not all of the RATP's 38,000 staff members heeded the call to strike.

It was to end at 7 A.M. Friday.

Workers in Spanish hotels, burs and restaurants began a two day strike Thursday, at the start of the Easter holiday weekend. Representatives of the Hostelry Federation, which called the stoppage, said some 30 percent of the 650,000 employees involved were supporting the strike, according

to the privately owned Cadena Ser radio.

A new Fishand Russia border crossing point is expected to open for international traffic on May 1, a Finnish Foreign Ministry official said. Thursday. The Vartius crossing, 450 kilometers (280 miles) northeast of

Helsinki, will be the fifth to open. (Reases)

Ivory Coast's international telecommunications links were partially restored Thursday after a week's breakdown when technicians repaired a local fault. The state utility said the system would return to normal on

Unions representing co-pilots, flight engineers and cabin attendants at Japan Airlines struck for a second day Thursday. Geoffrey Tudor, a airline spokesman, said 5 of 47 international passenger flights and 12 of 144 domestic flights were canceled, affecting about 2,700 passengers. Five flights were canceled, affecting about 2,700 passengers. Five flights were canceled affecting about 2,700 passengers.

supersonic Concorde airliners after three incidents in which rudder supersonae concorde arraness anter unice measurems in which a sections fell off in flight. "Our view is that the long-term solution has to be a new set of rudders for the Concorde fleet," a British Airways spokesman said. "We have asked British Aerospace to come up with plans, recommendations by the end of this month."

(Reuters)

The Weather



Areas from Chicago to To-ronto and New York City will have a few hours of rain this weekend. Thun-denstorms will be acettered from Houston to St. Louis. Suntelvine will warm South-am. Cattlomia and the Southeastern states much of the time. sournwest Europa will Showers will wet westen have sammy pleasured and apan Saturday wills western wester this weekend. A seeding rain will linger over southern itsely, sicily and southern Greece.
London through Paris will pour may soak Hong King-have mainly dry, seasonable weather Saturday into early next week.

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man rights to Serbia's own citizens - Serbia Washington Post Service will very quickly become an international pari-ah," Miss Tutwiler said Wednesday. WASHINGTON - The United States has The threat was detailed at a meeting in Hel-

aggression against Bosnia - and to deny hu-

proposed that Serbia be suspended from a largely pan-European security and human rights group if Serbia's aggression against Bosnia-Herzegovina does not cease. It has called sinki in which John Kornblum, a U.S. representative to the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, called for "clear and concrete steps to correct flagrant violations" of security conference principles in the aggression the offensive "completely outside the bounds of civilized behavior. Deputy Secretary of State Lawrence S. Eagagainst Bosnia. leburger told the Yugoslav ambassador, Dze-vad Mujezinovic, that "we need to see immedi-ate and concrete steps to reverse this behavior,"

Mr. Kombhum said the United States wanted a halt to hostilities by April 29. If Serbia does not comply, senior officials will consider giving said the State Department spokesman, Marga-Bosnia full membership in the 51-member security conference on an emergency basis, which Secretary of State James A. Baker 3d has telephoned the foreign ministers of Germany, would provide the fledgling nation with further international legitimacy. At the same time, Mr. Korablum said, the United States and its Euroholds the presidency of the European Commu-nity, seeking additional measures to press the Scrbian leadership, officials said.

pean partners would consider suspending Ser-bia's status as a participant in the conference. Officials said that the security conference

Officials at Japan's Foreign Ministry said they, too, were confused by the revelation. "We were surprised by this," an official said.

Based on intelligence tracking of North

Korea's growing complex of nuclear fuel installations, many Western experts have concluded that the Communist regime is trying to create a nuclear weapons program.

Bush administration officials warned recent-

ly that North Korea may be only months

away from building its first atomic bomb.

North Korea vigorously denies any plan to

build atomic weapons. The government said

it seeks only to build a peaceful nuclear

The reactors that Western intelligence as-

sessments have spotted in North Korea could well be electric power plants. But intelligence photos of the biggest plant do not show electric power cables that would be

expected at an installation built for generat-

Western governments have charged that

industry to generate electricity.

"They revealed more than we expected."

disintegrating Yugoslavia would be admitted to the organization. But it has been assumed that Serbia wants to inherit Yugoslavia's membership. Thus, they said, admitting Bosnia swiftly while barring Serbia would serve to isolate the Serbian leadership in Belgrade.

The Conference ou Security and Coopera-tion in Europe, which includes the United States, Canada, all West European countries and a number of East European nations, has been devoted to enforcing human rights and democratic principles but has no military au-thority to halt the Serbian aggression.

looking at other means of trying to influence the Serbian leadership, but they did not provide

Nations. She noted that as of last week, when the United States and the European Community recognized Bosnia, the two warring nations

reprocessing plant to create weapons-grade plutonium, which is used in the manufacture

of hydrogen bombs. North Korean denies

Western suspicion is high because North

Korea, a nation that is closed to the rest of

the world, has not yet allowed international inspection of the nuclear installations it has

built. Pyongyang has been promising regu-larly since 1985 that it would accede to

international inspection, but no inspector

has been permitted access to the suspect

The revelation was made by Choe Chong Snn, head of the Foreign Affairs Bureau of the North's Atomic Energy Ministry. He listed three North Korean-built reactors that

he said would be open to international in-

spection. A video broadcast in Pyongyang on Tuesday showed scenes of the three reactors.

200-megawatt plant, had already been iden-ufied in the West from intelligence photos and from "thermal signatures," or clouds of

Two of them, a 30-megawatt plant and a

that it has a reprocessing plant.

Officials said that the administration was

Miss Tutwiler said the administration would consider seeking some remedy in the United tary authorities is that if they continue their had not yet decided which states from the had international standing.

North Korea Reveals New Reactor, Surprising West megawatt plant that they said they opened in 1986; Japanese government officials said the

plant was a surprise.

There is a small Soviet-built reactor in North Korea that has been open since 1965.

This unit is well known to Western nations and has been subject to international inspection at Moscow's insistence. Officials said the third reactor autounced by Pyongyang seems to be different from the Soviet unit, since it was described as Korcan-

built, opened in 1986, and has just now been made subject to international inspection. There is a lot of confusion about what this third reactor is, and how intelligence could have missed it, if that is in fact what

happened," said Mr. Spector of the Carnegie

A Carnegie Endowment study team is scheduled to visit North Korea later this month. The group has been promised access to the North's nuclear installations and presumably will be able to learn more about the third reactor described in Pyongyang's vid-

KABUL: Najibullah Is Forced Out as Afghan Leader France Will Cut

Pyongyang is also building a nuclear fuel heat, detected by spy satellites.

cil of vice-presidents and party leaders were heading up a govern-ing council, other reports from Kabul said that a junta of four generals had assumed control of the capital. The generals cited in news agency reports, although members of General Najibullah's Homeland Party, are regarded as career officers and are seen as less tainted by deep involvement with the Soviet

Even as the coalition from the north moved close to the capital, there were reports from Pakistan that the forces of the fundamental-ist Hizbe Islami were approaching Kabul from the south. The northem forces, led by Ahmed Shah Ma-

seems unavoidable.

In Paris, the resignation of Gen- the capital from the south. eral Najibullah was greeted with Without a head of state, diplo-

tion of Najibullah," a Foreign Min-istry spokesman said. He called on "all Alghan parties to exercise plan would be made.

changed as the leading majahidin with government army and militia ized for new missions.

In Peshawar, Pakistan, Nawab forces swept south, cutting Kabul Saleem, a spokesman for Mr. Hek- off from its northern supply routes, matyar's group, warned that "ei- capturing two major towns and ther they transfer power to the mu-jahidin or we will attack the city." overrunning the government's most important military air field Whether Mr. Hekmatyar's forces only 50 kilometers (30 miles) north are capable of assaulting the capital of the capital Those assaults left is uncertain, although diplomats in the mujahidin within easy range of Kabul have tended to disparage his Kabul. Other mujahidin guerrilla forces were said to be advancing on

mats here and in Islamabad said "France rejoices at the resigna- that it was uncertain how decisions

"Our country's security environ-

ment has fundamentally changed in the past year," Mr. Joxe told the

the next five years and shut several Most naval forces would be re-

The Defense Ministry said 24,000 soldiers and 4,750 civilians working for the military would lose their jobs next year.

The Associated Press NAIROBI - The police on

Pius Nyamora, editor and pub-

Loyce, were given no reason for the arrest, the lawyer said. But he noted that an article in the current issue of the magazine accuses the police of using excessive force against unarmed civilians.

UNIVERSITY DEGREE BACHELORS - WASTERS - DOCTORATE For Work, Life and Academ Experience - No Classron (Continued from page 1) airport on the outskirts of the city. (213) 471-0306 Among the many things that re-main unclear is the viability of the FAX (213) 471-6456 governing council that has evidently assumed power in Kabul Al-though Mr. Wakil said that a coun-Pacific Western University

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mujahidin armies, has significant differences with the Hizbe Islami, there have been violent clashes between the two groups in the past. UN officials in Islamabad ex-

pressed concern that if both forces charged into Kabul, the city could become a battle ground for control of the country. What seems inevita-hle in any event is that a reign of retribution and revenge led by the mujahidin against former secret police, government and army officials will occur. Indeed, so deeply rooted is the mujahidin's hatred of the government of General Najibullah that widespread bloodshed generals.

military capabilities.

leaders as well as the foreign minis-

Just one week ago, it appeared that the UN plan, long in development, was about to be implemented. But then, with a soddenness that surprised both UN officials the collapse of the Soviet bloc.

Defense Minister Pierre Joxe said France's 320,000-member army would be cut by 20 percent to and diplomats, the military situation in the north of the country

In short order, their combined

sood, the commander of Jamiati-Islami, the most powerful of the mujahidin armies, has significant differences with the Hizbe Islami, led by Gulhuddin Hekmetyar, and Throughout the day, according to UN officials in Pakistan, Mr. Sevan met with Homeland Party

ter in an effort to keep the peace plan alive. Mr. Sevan stayed on in Kabul to continue his discussions.

PARIS — France on Thursday amounced large troop cuts and plans to redeploy forces from eastern border areas in the aftermath of

25 percent over the next five years. He said forces traditionally based near the border with Germany commander announced alliances would be redeployed and modern-

> National Assembly's defense committee. Under the plan, the air force would cut combat aircraft to less than 400 from a current 450 over

> grouped in two main ports, Toulon in the Mediterranean and Brest on

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SAN DIEGO — Only a month ago. Republicans heralded the House bank scandal as a great opportunity to retake control of Con-Capitol Hill rather than try to ex- the House. plain his 125 overdrawn checks to gess. But now the war cry is beginning to sound more like a whimper. The number of Republicans bruised by the affair is growing. And with each new casualty, ten-

Potshots Over Check-Kiting

Backfire on the Republicans

Weber are criticizing the partisan-ship of colleagues who whipped up public outrage over the House bank scandal. "Somehow, this belief that you can throw a grenade and control where the explosion occurs is nonsense," Mr. Lowery said. "It makes

you wonder why they ran for Congress in the first place."

Counseled by Representative
Newt Gingrich of Georgia, the Reor signed overdrawn cheeks publican whip, a group of young Republican congressmen insisted on publicizing the names of scores of lawmakers who had abused their

Mr. Lowery's withdrawal fol-lows the decision earlier this month hold almost a 100-vote edge in the by Representative Vin Weber of House - and the Republicans Minnesota, secretary of the House could then end more than three Republican Conference, to leave decades of Democratic rule over

But a number of senior Republicans have been implicated, and Mr. Now, normally partisan Repub-licans like Mr. Lowery and Mr. Democratic management of the House bank, has become considerably quieter of late after be found that the handful, of checks he thought he bad overdrawn is more like 20 or 30.

Uncertainty over whether to duck or attack on the House bank issue was underscored by a recent Republican campaign poll showing that incumbents who overdrew amounting to more than \$1,000, may have to find new careers after November.

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Thursday by the House ethics committee and distributed by The Associated Press.

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After the name is the party, the number of checks, and whether the number is retiring or seeking a dif-ferent office. In all cases the overtane Crash Kills i drafts were honored. The period covered by the inquiry comprised 39 months ending June 30.

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IDAHO: Richard H. Stallings (D) 8, ILLINOIS: Terry I. Bruce (D) 2, re-ting: Cardiss Collins (D) 18; Jerry Cos-tello (D) 1; Richard J. Durbin (D) 12; Lane Evana (D) 9; Dennis Hastert (R)

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LOUISIANA: Richard H. Baker (R) 6; Clyde C. Holloway (R) 10; Jerry Huckaby (D) 88; William I. Jefferson (D) 8; W.J. Tauzin (D) 5.

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NEW JERSEY: Bernard J. Dwyer (D)
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(R) 8; Robert A. Roe (D) 6, retiring;
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LEND ME YOUR AURA - Representative Joseph P. Kennedy 2d of Massachusetts, left, sharing the stage with Bill Clinton, the Democratic presidential aspirant, at a campaign stop in Los Angeles.

Iran-Contra Prosecutor Focuses On Roles of Weinberger and Shultz

By George Lardner Jr.

Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — Former Secretary of State George P. Shultz and former Secretary of Defense Caspar W. Weinberger have come under investigation by special prosecutors in the waning days of their inquiry into the Iran-contra affair.

According to sources familiar with the investigation, the two Reagan-era cabinet members have been questioned at length in recent months about their earlier testimony on the scandal in light of handwritten notes and other records suggesting more extensive knowledge.

Mr. Shultz said he was informed early this year that he had become "a subject" of the inquiry being led by the independent counsel, Lawrence E. Walsh. According to the U. S. Attorney's Manual, this means he "is a person whose conduct is within the scope of a grand jury investigation."

Mr. Weinberger did not return phone calls, and his status was unclear, but sources said he may be under slightly sharper scrutiny. Both men were streamously opposed to the ad-

ministration's arms-for-hostages deals with Iran

and, the sources said, nothing has come to light to

shake that proposition.

Mr. Shultz said. "I don't know what course the independent counsel is taking." But he said he believed his status had been changed from that of a wimess because of questions that had arisen "about the method of preparation of some of my

Mr. Walsh declined to comment, but he emphasized last fall that be was still pursuing the extent of official efforts to cover up the scandal, It came to light on Nov. 25, 1986, when Attorney General Edwin Meese 3d announced that profits from White House-directed arms sales to Iran had been diverted to belp the contra rebels in Nicaragua.

The questions for Mr. Shuliz and Mr. Weinberger apparently deal with the secret shipments by Israel of U.S.-made weapons to Iran in the late summer and fall of 1985. These shipments were especially sensitive for the Reagan White House because the president had not formally authorized

When the scandal became public, the White House initially denied any knowledge of the 1985

Funding Loophole **Enables Candidates** To Raise a Bundle

By Ann Devrov and Mark Stencel Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - The Michigan fund-raiser looked like any of the other fancy galas President George Busb bas been throwing to raise campaign money, but when his aides picked up their programs at the \$1.1 million dinner, they spotted some political dynamite: Five corporations were listed as major donors, despite a law banning corporate contributions.

Scrambling to explain the listing of the five corporate "hosts." Bush campaign aides called it "an embarrassing, stupid mistake."

"We take the law and the spirit of the law very, very seriously, said Torie Clarke, a campaign spokeswoman. "There was no violation. There was a mistake but all those involved had been reprimanded and all our finance people will be reminded of the law."

Officials of the corporations involved in the dinner Tuesday also said it was a mistake. The funds were lawful personal contributions from employees, not from the com-panies themselves.

But behind the mix-up is a more complex election-year reality for both parties. Corporate executives continue to raise money and donate large amounts, sometimes through "bundling," a practice much decried by critics of the campaign finance system.

An employee of one of the five corporations listed as sponsors of the Bush fund-raising event ex-plained how it works. According to Peggy Pentacost, an administrative assistant at the suburban Detroit partnership of the accounting firm of Deloine & Touche, she was in charge of collecting money for the dinner from partners and their spouses, She sent the checks to the Bush-Quayle organization.

She estimated that a third to half of the firm's 59 partners "partici-pated" by buying \$1,000 tickets. the maximum individual contribution allowed by federal law. Thus, at least \$20,000 was raised.

Each of the checks was drawn on an individual's account, she said. The firm has a corporate political action committee for political donations, but "we didn't use that for this," she said. The law limits political action

committee contributions to \$5,000, significantly less than Deloitte & Touche executives ended up giving. Mr. Bush has said be opposes political action committee contributions and ordered his campaign to

refuse them, campaign officials

But Mr. Bush is also on record against "bundling."

In his first speech on campaign reform as president. Mr. Bush deplored the influence of money in politics and said. "I propose to end the practice that's known as bundling, where business and unions encourage or coerce contributions from employees or members and then give these contributions as one single donation."

The problem with bundling, according to Fred Wertheimer, president of Common Cause, a Washington-based advocacy group, is that such a contribution often has the same impact as if it came from the company itself.

If corporate executives can gather a large sum and turn it over on behalf of the institution." he said, "you wind up with the same capacity for compution and influence-selling as if the corporation made the contribution in the first

Mr. Wertheimer said bundling is one of the major loopholes for getting around contribution ceilings and the ban on corporate dona-

Ms. Pentacost was asked why her firm was listed as a host of the fund-raiser - a distinction reserved for donations of at least \$10,000. She responded that it was because she told the campaign that the ticket-selling was a "corpora-tion effort," with no one individual

responsible. The dinner, in Dearborn, included 1,100 donors who paid \$1,000

Black Police Chief For Los Angeles

The Associated Press LOS ANGELES — Police Com-missioner Willie L. Williams of Philadelphia has been selected as the first black police chief in Los Angeles, taking over a department joited by allegations of racism and brutality.

Mr. Williams, 48, will be the first chief in more than 40 years from outside the department, whose reputation was damaged by the videotaped beating of a black motorist, Rodney King. The selection was hailed by civil rights activists.

Mr. Williams will replace Chief Daryl F. Gates, who in the after-math of the King beating agreed under pressure to resign.

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Czechoslovakia and Japan, and told them that some of their number would be expelled in retaliation for expulsion of Libyan cavoys, Libyan broadcasts reported. Italy ounced that six of its diplomats had been ordered home.

The United States has no diploatic relations with Tripoli. But as host of the United Nations, it was expelling three of the 12 diplomats at Libya's UN mission. Even Switzerland said it was

joining in the sanctions despite its tradition of neutrality. Only Iraq — under an even tougher UN embargo itself - rejected the sanctions. Mr. Gadhafi has made no public comment since the sanctions were posed, but his government kept up the angry rhetoric. Abdul Salam Jalloud, his No. 2 official, asserted that the sanctions were part of a estern conspiracy against the

Muslim world. Despite the grounding of flights. and and sea links remained, inchiding ferry service to the nearby sland of Malta. Traffic through Salloum, the Egypt-Libya border crossing point, was reported nor-

At least 400 foreigners working in Libya arrived in Valletta, Malta, aboard the Toletela, the first Liby-an ship to dock in Malta since UN anctions cut flights.

Covered by the sanctions are air ravel and the sales of arms and hircraft components. Sea travel is not covered by the sanctions.

Malta, a Mediterranean island tion with close ties to Libya, ofers one of the more convenient ways get around the embargo, as there is regular ferry service. Valletta and Tripoli are roughly 320 kilometers (200 miles) apart.

The largest national group mong the foreigners aboard the Toletela was Maltese. There were

LIBYA: Diplomats Are Expelled A New Turn Most of the foreigners aboard

Tunisian and Libyan officials have been conferring since

Damascus was canceled Thursday as the government failed to announce its positions on the imposi-But an official source in Damascns said that Syria - which had voiced its strong opposition to the air and arms embargo against Lib-

ya - was bound to respect international resolutions.

Life appeared to be going on as usual in Tripoli despite Libya's warned, however, that "there are growing isolation. Traffic was normal. A few cars still displayed black ribbons on radio antennas, left over from a nationwide protest Tnesday over U.S. air raids on Lib-

The sanctions are meant to pressure Libya into nirning over suspects in the 1988 bombing of Pan Am Flight 103. But a day after they took effect, Libya gave no indication that it would comply.

It also cited additional "very presafety of foreigners in Libya, especially those whose governments back the sanctions. About 1 million foreigners, including 500 to 1,000 Americans, live in the nation of 4.2 million people. Many said they were not alraid and did not plan to

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ment, Radio Russia said Moscow also dozens of Filipinos and Italians and some British, Canadians and Dutch. The ship also carried Libyans. Many Libyans regularly come to Malta for vacations.

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were leaving the country as part of about one-quarter of the cases, Dr. heir regular leave.

Brooks said.

There is no shortage of theories about the cause of the ailment. Wednesday on arrangements to Most relate to deficiencies in the provide bus transportation from adapt to life outside the womb, Libya to Tunisian airports near the such as subtle neurologic, cardiac or respiratory problems.

A Libyan Arab Airlines flight to Nor is there any standard down of why the stomach-down sleeping position may contribute to the risk of crib death, although some researchers have conjectured that it may predispose a small number of infants to suffocate through blockage of the narrow airway from the mouth to the lungs.

There "appears to be little hazard" for a healthy infant from tain infants prone." Such cases inelude premature infants with breathing problems, infants who frequently vomit or spit, and infants with anomalies that predis-pose them to breathing obstruc-

In support of its recommendation, the pediatrics group, which is based in Elk Grove Village, Illinois, cited the results of 11 scientific on man it would comply.

Studies, mostly from Australia, Britain and New Zealand.

liminary reports" from Britain and New Zealand noting "decreases in the incidence of SIDS by more than 50 percent, coincident with a change in sleeping positions from mostly prone to predominantly supine or lateral." Nevertheless, the National Insti-

tute of Child Health and Human Development, which coordinates U.S. research into the syndrome has not issued a recommendation "It is unknown whether a nationwide change in infant sleeping position will change the incidence of SIDS," the institute said in a statement, adding that it would sponsor new research on the topic.



DESIGNED FOR LIVING — A businessman trying on a bulletproof vest Thursday in Tokyo. Retailers say sales have increased following recent attacks on Japanese executives abroad.

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Two Buddha Films Take Separate Paths

Two films about Buddha are in the making 2,500 years after his death. The director of one of the films. Mira Nair of India. said the other picture, to be directed by Bernardo Bertolucci of Italy, would be very different from hers.

"A race for the Buddha?" she said. "No. The subject is so vast that we both have a place on this ocean." Miss Nair said that Mr. Bertolucci, who is reported to be scouting locations in Nepal. plans to make a picture called "Little Buddha" largely set in

cootemporary times.
Miss Nair said her "Buddha"

length," about two and a half

Miss Nair's first film to be released ioternationally, "Salaam Bombay," about street children, won a prize at the 1988 Cannes film festival and was cominated for an Oscar the following year as the best foreign film. Her oext picture, "Missis-sippi Masala," about a hlack man and an Indian woman falling in love in the southero United States, is currently showing. The script writer for Miss

Nair's film is Robert Bolt, who wrote the screenplays for "Lawrence of Arabia" and "Dr. Zhivago." For the title role, Miss Nair said she was looking for an Asian actor who has the quality of serenity.

Around Asia

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McDonald's will open its first outlet in Beijing next week oo

would be "fairly epic in scale and | Wangfujing, a commercial thor-length," about two and a half | oughfare just off Tiananmen Square in the heart of the city. The fast-food chain is called Maidanglao in Chinese. McDooald's already has an outlet in the southern city of Shenzhen bordering Hong Kong. Kentucky Fried Chicken and Pizza Hul

both have thriving branches in

Captured U.S. fliers called it the "Hanoi Hilton," and oow Vietnamese authorities want to raze the French-huilt Hoa Lo prison in central Hanni even though it has become something of a tourist attraction for visiting Americans. The official Nhan Dan newspaper quoted Prime Minister Vo Van Kiet as saying that the prisoo should be replaced by offices or an international husiness center.

Arthur Higbee

KOREA: In New War, an Unstoppable Tycoon Takes on the Government HARASS:

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save the nation. His attacks on President Roh's government allege incompetence and economic mismanagement. He promises to fight crime, end corruption, hring down inflation, case credit and keep the government out of the boardroom. He portrays himself as a Korean Horatio Alger story, someone who made it on his own while other companies, such as Daewoo, depended on handouts from the gov-

Indeed, Mr. Chung's defiance is all the more remarkable because it is the first major rebellion in the traditional business-government partnership that lifted South Korea from ashes to one of the top industrial powers in the world in little more than a generation.

Mr. Chung, who was a poor peasant, ran away from his village in the North and worked as a laborer and merchant before founding Hyundai as an auto-repair shop in 1946. In the 1960s, with the help of cheap credit, land and labor provided by the anthoritarian regime of Park Chung Hee, Mr. Chung and other energet-ic entrepreneurs created Korea's vast chaebol.

Hyundai, which vies with Samsung for the status of largest chaebol, now operates the biggest shipyard in the world, is the biggest automaker in Korea, owns a major heavy construction company, and has vast holdings in electronics, steel, trading and financial services.

Combined unconsolidated sales from the group's 43 member companies totaled \$50 bil-lion last year, according to the company.

But as the chaebol and the families who controlled them grew wealthy, they became increasingly resented hy less fortunate Koreans who suffered under the often brutal Park

Chong Hee regime. After Mr. Park was assassinated in 1979 and replaced by Chun Doo Hwan, the new government used its powers to try to rein in big business, which it saw as a

potential threat. Mr. Roh's more democratic government, which came to power in 1987, has also tried to blunt the power of the chaebol in an effort to gain popularity and dampen the influence of big business. But it has also depended on them to maintain rapid economic growth in South

Occasionally there are cracks in Mr. Chung's populist veneer, such as when he asserted recently that North Korean agents were behind Hyundai's restive labor unions, but the government's attacks seem to have given him all the legitimacy he needs.

"People who don't know him personally may say he is a hypocrite," said Kim Dong Gill, vice chairman of the Unification National Party and a former professor at the prestigious Yon-sei University, "but for so many years he was thinking the existing system was no good."

The party has not yet picked a presidential candidate, and Mr. Ching has not said whether he would accept the nomination, but Mr. Kim said he would work hard to persuade Mr. Chung to run. He said Mr. Chung had com-pletely separated himself from Hyundal and would not favor the company if be won.

The governing party and the government, however, are not convinced. "If he becomes president," said Mr. Suh, the assemblyman, and the same of the same Korea will become the Hyundai Republic."

"Unless Chairman Chung separates from Hyundai, there will be problems." Most observers say they do not think Mr. Chung will win the election if he chooses to run. But they say he would prove influential as a kingmaker, by giving his support to either the governing party or to the opposition leader, Kim Dae Jung, whose Reunification Democratic Party won 97 seats in the March elections. There are a large number of scenarios, but 1 don't know of one in where Chung Ju

Yung is not a player," said a local stock analyst. who asked not to be identified. The government's investigations appear to be aimed at establishing a financial link between Hyundai and Mr. Chung's party. Hyundai ex-ecutives said that there was no link and that the company was being selectively prosecuted for

practices common to all the chaebol. As a result of the government's campaign, the company, which is highly leveraged, has had difficulty getting short-term credit, but it has not had problems servicing its debt. Jeffrey Clarkin, country manager for Australia & New Zealand Banking Group Ltd., said that while foreign bankers are concerned, they are not about to call in any loans, because several Hyundai companies have strong cash flow. "I certainly have not detected any panic," said Mr. Clarkin, who also is deputy chairman of the Seoul Foreign Bankers Group.

Some observers say they think the feud may ultimately help break the government's stran-glehold on credit and hasten the adoption of a more arm's-length government-business rela-

"This can only be resolved if the country moves to a more mature and transparent struc-ture of regulation," the stock analyst said. What is going on now is about as sensible as two shipwreck survivors fighting on a desert island: They are stuck with each other.'

The disclosure of the lodge

brought down the government of Arnaldo Forlani in 1981. Another

leader of the lodge, Umberto Orto-lani, received a 19-year sentence.

The court also imposed a six-

year and four-month sentence on Giuseppe Ciarrapico, a Roman fi-

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A First in Japan

(Continued from page 1) weekly magazine column for "of-fice ladies" said she opposed law. suits except in cases of rape or assault.

The media coined the concept as "seku hara" and some hostess bars for men took the term for their name. Men wrote letters complaining that their innocent jokes and

remarks were being misinterpreted The reaction to the ruling Thurs. day appeared to be generally positive. In a news broadcast about the decision Thursday night, persons interviewed in the streets generally supported it, but a young man smiled and said: "I agree with it." but I might try sexual harassment some day when I'm older."....

There have been harassment cases in the past, but with ambiguous verdicts. In one case last year, a woman was awarded damages after saying that a man assaulted her on a business trip. Another received damages when she said a colleague threatened her when she refused to go to a hotel with him.

But these earlier cases were won hy the plaintiffs because the men did not show up in court. What distinguished the case in Fukuoka was that it was vigorously contested, and the actions by the man consisted entirely of remarks that were not direct threats.

"This ruling was epoch-making" said Mizuho Fukushima, a lawye who has been active in sexual harassment and other cases. "It apknowledges that this is a legitimate issue for women, and it was important that the court found the company guilty, as well as the man who made the comments."

Many women's groups feared that the case would be decided the way a prosecutor thought earlier this year, when he decided not to indict a male member of a keed prefectural assembly for grabbing a woman's breast at a reception and saying, "This is a proper manner in which to treat a woman."

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The prosecutor said that though the legislator was guilt of lewd behavior, he was drunk at the time and had suffered sufficient punishment by virtue of the Jici that he had been forced to resign a position in the local Liberal Democratic Party.

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BANK: Milan Court Officially Takes the Sheen Off a Golden Reputation

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"It was an image thing," said Ms. Keith of County NatWest, explain-ing the price fall. "It came as a

surprise that be was convicted." Flavio Cereda of Barclays De Zoett Wedd in London said that "as things stand now, De Benedetti's conviction should not make the slightest difference to the manage-

ment of Olivetti." The court banned Mr. De Benedetti and the other defendants from managing companies for 10 years, but the ban will only come into effect if the verdict is upheld on

appeal. Mr. De Benedetti, who was born into a prosperous Turin home. started his career as an engineer in

the family metal business and came losso, had also sought to indict to challenge Giovanni Agnelli, Archbishop Paul Marcinkus, the Ricardo Sassoli de Bianchi of the brokers Analitica S.r.I. in Milan. chairman of Fiat SpA, as Italy's foremost industrialist. But his \$1.5 billion bid to take over Belgium's Societé Générale in 1988 failed, thwarting his plans to create a vast pan-European husiness empire.

The court imposed a sentence on Mr. Benedetti two months longer than the prosecution had asked. "The sentence is as unexpected

as it is disconcerting for anyone who knows the facts and still believes in justice," the financier's lawvers said. They said that "not one piece of

evidence emerged as to the co-re-sponsibility of Carlo De Benedetti in the collapse of Banco Amro-

The prosecutor, Pier Luigi Del- attempt to save the bank.

former president of the Institute for Religious Works, commonly known as the Vatican Bank.

But he was overruled by the supreme court because of the Vatican's sovereign status.

In his concluding statement, Mr. Dell'Osso accused the Vatican Bank of giving "systematic support to Calvi in many illicit operations."

The Vatican paid a \$250 million settlement to Ambrosiano creditors in 1984 but washed its hands of moral or legal blame.

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The government is facing understandable pressure not to sbut down the buge, lossridden, state-owned factories. But the costs of keeping them open would make the budget deficit ballonn, and a declining deficit is a key condition of foreign aid. These factories were generally set up to supply the Soviet market, and, as Mr. Olszewski pointed out, agencies like the International Monetary Fund can belp Eastern Europe by encouraging its trade with Russia and the

try there will also provide indirect but powerful support to Poland.

Foreign investment can create jobs and lift income in Poland, but that raises another dilemma. The leading source of foreign money is Germany, reawakening memories of Poland's terrible suffering under Nazi occupation in World War 11. Signs of public resentment have persuaded investors (not only from Germany) to back off while some, but perhaps not all, government officials are working hard to recruit more of them.
In February, Mr. Olszewski announced a

retreat from the rigors of the shock treat-ment. The reaction from abroad — and from some Poles, including President Lech Walesa - was sharply negative. Last month, in response, the prime minister changed course again, returning to a tighter budget much closer to the original plan. Poland knows that it really has only one way to go, Mr. Olszewski told Washington last week — but that way is not getting any easier. All the Western countries that support Polish democracy and above all the United States - now have an urgent interest in seeing the Poles as rapidly as possible through this perilous passage to free markets.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

Be Fair With the House

already driven valuable public servants next month's pay. But that reasonable-from Congress, with scores more likely to leave. In one poll, two-thirds of the respondents say they are inclined to vote against any member who bounced as few as 10 checks, and if there were many such checks. to favor prosecution.

Such overheated reactions can only reflect vast ignorance of what this "scandal" really amounts to. If there was ever a time for the public to work hard to be fair, this is the week. The House ethics committee is publishing the list of more than 300 members who wrote at least one overdraft check on their House bank accounts,

The disclosure is welcome, but in the end turns out to be virtually meaningless as a guide to the honesty of those on it. Many probably followed all the rules by which the bank operated. By any reasonable yard-stick, they may be blameless.

Unless voters exercise careful, fair judg-ments, many decent, talented individuals will be unjustly tarred.

The bysteria over the House Bank has been fueled by three major misconceptions: To begin with, few checks actually "bounced." The House bank generally bonored the checks even if the members had too little money on deposit to cover them.

 Members were routinely allowed to write overdrafts up to the amount of their next month's pay. Once the overdrafts ex-ceeded that level, the bank typically called to ask for a deposit.

 No taxpayer funds were used to cover the checks members wrote on insufficient funds. The bank used money from the accounts of other members, who were in effect making free loans to their colleagues, at no cost to themselves.

The ethics committee has already determined that 22 members abused their banking privilege by "repeatedly" and "routine-

The overblown House bank scandal has ly" running overdrafts in excess of their whose behavior was probably not offensive.

Consider the case of Bob Mrazek, the capable New York Democrat who was forced to abandon his underdog campaign for the Senate last week. He was cited for 920 overdrafts. Yet he did not bounce a

And House bank records show he paid up promptly. This record offers scant basis for a cloud over his reputation.

The House bank was miserably managed — even after alarming andits. And many members were sloppy in how they kept track of their balances. But sloppiness is no crime. Voters need to distinguish among degrees of culpability. If there turn out to have been any criminal violations, they should be dealt with severely.

Beyond that, any members who may have written interest-free overdrafts and invested the money surely behaved unethically toward their colleagues.

It is possible to make some comparative indgments among the 22 cited as abusers. Representative Stephen Solarz, Democrat of New York, who had 53 checks returned for insufficient funds, would rank well ahead of Mr. Mrazek, who bounced none. But whether or not some members rank ahead or behind others, the important

Did the public suffer? Were any taxpayer funds lost? The answers, in almost every case, are no. If voters mean to be fair to the 300 members whose names are cited, they will keep in mind that collectively the members were using, or abusing, their own money. Voters may be appalled by how some members handled their finances. But that is rarely a crime. It is surely not one that warrants terminal, Capitol punishment.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

GM's Life-Buoy Plan

Finally, after a series of genuine disasters, the General Motors board has begun to take action openly and clearly. The company's share of the American market has long been in decline; last year GM lost \$4.5 billion. Now the board has replaced GM's president and its chief financial officer and is pressing its chairman, Robert Stempel, for a faster and more vigorous response to these reverses. The board's intervention is

remarkable only because it comes very late. As GM's recent history illustrates, there are serious weaknesses in the way big American corporations are governed. It is conventional to invest immense responsibility in one person as both chairman of the board and chief executive to avoid divided authority. But the effect is to blur the distinction between the hired management and the board that is supposed to oversee it on behalf of the owners. In many companies the chairman has great influence in naming the rest of the board and controls the flow of information to it. As for the owners, the largest stockholders of a big company are usually pension and investment funds with neither the capacity nor the inclination to get into

the supervision of management. Perhaps all of that belps explain why the boards of American companies are generally slow to act independently. GM's directors have now recognized the dangers in continued passivity and are going to unusual lengths to change the company's direction. Its management is still bur-dened by the bad babits that it has inherited from a time when the company wholly dominated the industry.

The contrast between GM's success in Europe and the lack of it in North America is instructive. In the United States, where its dominance was greatest and where it still sells more than one out of every three cars and trucks that Americans buy, it is losing both market share and spectacular amounts of money. In Europe, where it has always faced rigorous competition, it is gaining mar-

ket share and earning substantial profits. The directors, noting that difference, have brought the head of GM's European operations back to Detroit to be the company's president. He will have an important advantage over his predecessors - the explicit support of a board that is now actively and publicly engaged in the rescue of the company. There is a great deal more at stake here than the price of the stock.

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Other Comment

Tougher Action Is Needed Although Moammar Gadhafi is obvious-

ly rattled by the UN action against Libya, the sanctions are relatively harmless. Libya's land borders and sea lanes are still wide open. Only its air traffic is halted. The toughest sanction — the embargo on

arms sales - cannot be effectively imposed as long as the trade lanes remain open.

As tragic and horrible as is the indis-

criminate killing of air travelers, it does not threaten world peace. What does do that is the massive arming of outlaw regimes.

Unfortunately, partial embargoes can do little to stop this. Concentrating the world's energies on the apprehension of a few terrorist agents in Libya may even deflect attention from the real danger.

Clamping down on large war industries at bome, and imposing serious economic and diplomatic sanctions on powerful terrorist regimes may be less popular than throwing darts at Colonel Gadhafi. But only a concerted international effort to collaborate in such measures will address the real threats to the peace of the world.

- The Jerusalem Post.

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In the New World, Aim for a Balance of Restraint

WASHINGTON — The end of the 20th century promises a climate of peace, a welcome prospect that many find difficult to believe. For almost 60 years - from 1930, when Japan threatened Manchura, during the era when Hitler sought world conquest to 1990, when the Soviet Union gave up Eastern Europe — the overriding fact of life for most of the world was war or the threat of war, posed by three states with enormous military strength and an appetite for expansion. But we now have the chance - indeed, the necessity - to draw up a blueprint for a new world system

based on new security concepts.

What role should the United States play in the post-Cold War era? What is our relationship to the United Nations, and what new forms of cooperation can the community of nations devise to deal in practical terms with the problems of peacekeeping

in the new multipolar age?
President George Bush has not clearly defined his new world order. But the leaders of the seven largest industrial democracies, meeting in London last July,

set forth a pragmatic concept for the era ahead.

Citing the Gulf War coalition, the self-described "guarantors of international order" affirmed the international community's ability to act together "to restore international peace and security and to resolve conflict." Such cooperation, they declared, could be brought to bear "wherever danger and conflict threaten, or other challenges must be met." It is time to revise our traditional concept of balance of power, which guided us through much

AMMAN — The future status of Jerusalem has long been re-

garded as the most intractable of

issues in the Arab-Israeli conflict.

right to reclaim their lands seized in

the 1967 war, East Jerusalem as well

as the surrounding West Bank. The

to Greater Jerusalem undivided, in-

cluding those new areas built out

beyond the city center into the West

I would propose that the problem

of Jerusalem be addressed now. With

the ongoing peace negotiations this is

the most propitious time to intro-

duce constructive concepts.

What Israelis consider Greater

Jerusalem now comprises an area

about one-fifth of the occupied

West Bank. My first point is to draw

a distinction between the ancient

walled city and the areas outside the

walls. Is every hectare now called

In its essence the boliness of Jeru-

salem is an attribute of the boly

places themseives. The main holy

places of three religions are clearly

marked, distinct and known: the

Church of the Holy Sepulcher for

Christians, the Western Wall for

Jews, and the Dome of the Rock and

Al Aqsa Mosque for Muslims. All

three are within the ancient walled

city. Around these shrines have

P ARIS — In a letter to a press agency in Bonn, Germany's Red

Jerusalem to be considered holy?

Bank after the 1967 war.

The Arabs hold that they have a

By George C. McGhee

of this violent century. Indeed, such a notion seems irrelevant in a unipolar world in which the United States has unrivaled military power.

A more appropriate framework for U.S. security

policies would be "balance of restraint." For the first time in decades, the United States can lower its level of preparedness instead of raising it.
President Bush, Mikhail Gorbachev and Boris

Yeltsin have set the tone for this new era by their initiatives in downsizing nuclear arsenals and standing down from the razor's edge of operational readiness for strategic nuclear forces. Just last week, the new prime minister of France, Pierre Beregovoy, suspended nuclear tests through the end of the year in a bid to persuade other nuclear powers to follow suit. This is balance of restraint. Such steps will truly mark the Cold War's end, further relaxing tension and leading to a more secure peace through nuclear test bans, nonprohiferation agreements and treaties limiting nuclear

With Iraq and Iran largely defanged by war, and China preoccupied with population and other pressing problems, there are no nondemocratic nations left with the military power, much less the incentive, to threaten U.S., or world, security. Soviet support is no longer available to proxy states.

and conventional forces.

religion, all believers in one God.

ing the shrines. Beyond that, howev-

er, it is stretching the point to call "holy" every building, every neigh-

borbood and every street corner that

has been built up around the walled city, extending for many kilometers in some directions.

propose to maintain a distinc-

It is fortunate for the solution of

the problem of Jerusalem, at least

conceptually, that the city has three names: Al Quds in Arabic, Yerusha-

laim in Hebrew, and Jerusalem as the

Jerusalem, would belong to no single nation or religion. Rather it would

belong to the whole world and to the

three religions: Muslim, Christian

and Jewish. No state would have

political sovereignty over it, so that Jerusalem would remain a spiritual

basin, as it was originally founded

My second point concerns the ur-

and universally conceived.

The walled city, the true and holy

rest of the world knows it.

tion between the areas that were

made holy by God and those incor-

porated into Jerusalem by man.

Over time a shade and degree of

Certainly, America must retain enough armed might to contribute its share to any future united

Idea for Jerusalem: Two Flags, One Undivided City

By Adnan Abu Odeh

The writer is chief of the Royal Hashemite Court of Jordan.

grown up over the years quarters ban areas that stretch beyond the inhabited by the followers of each ancient walls to the east, portheast

holiness has been extended to these the name Arabs and Muslims use.

and southeast, the Arab part of the

city. These would be called Al Ques,

urban areas that stretch beyond the

walls to the west northwest and

southwest. These would be called

Yerushalaim, the name the Jews use.

The Palestinian flag would be raised in Al Quds and the Israeli flag would fly over Yerushalaim.
Over the walled city of Jerusalem,

no flags would fly, for the sacred shrines would be the symbol of the

city's God-given holiness and spiri-

tual significance to all believers in

one God, belonging to no state.

The holy walled city of Jerusalem

would be open to all. It would be

governed by a council representing the highest Muslim, Christian and

Jewish religious authorities. Each authority would be responsible for run-

ning and maintaining the holy sites of its faith and participating equally in administering "Jerusalem." As far as political identity is con-

cerned, the Arabs would be Palestin-

ian nationals and vote for their na-

tional institutions. The Jews would

be Israelis and vote, as now, in their

national elections. Administrative

military effort, or prevail if war is unavoidable. But there is no reason why it cannot soon shift many more resources from the military budget to the needs of education, health, housing, environment and infrastructure.

Control over the international sale of arms represents a major area of concern that must be addressed by a new world system. As the Gulf War showed, concrete measures are available to the world community in dealing with future regional or continental threats. We must make them more effective. United Nations economic sanctions freezing of assets abroad, denial of investment and credit, trade embargo or blockade - have

immediate coercive impact.

The most promising hope for a successful new world system lies, I believe, in strengthening the bonds of the international community. Europe, which started two world wars, helped create NATO, the most effective system of mutual defense yet devised. The European Community is reassuring proof of the economic, financial and political power of knitting mutual interests together. There is reason to believe that this spirit of community can eventually stretch from the Atlantic to the Urals through the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

The writer, a former U.S. ambassador to West Germany and Turkey, was undersecretary of state for political affairs in the Kennedy administration. He contributed this comment to The Washington Past.

details of the spiritual city of Jerusa-lem would be left to creative minds

in negotiation. Jewish settlements in

Al Quas would be subject to the

same solution reached for other set-

tlements in the occupied territories.
In the Arab mind (Muslims and

Christians alike), Al Quds would ex-

walled city. Yerushalaim, to the Jews, would stretch as far as their

holy sites in the Old City. In other

words, the Dome of the Rock, Al

Aqsa Mosque and the Holy Sepul-cher, both the Muslim and Christian

surrounding quarters within the walled city and the Arab community

at large outside the walls, would

The Western Wall, the Jewish quarter surrounding it and the Israeli

community at large outside the walls, linked geographically and demo-graphically, would likewise form a

new uninterrupted entity. Thus Jews and Arabs alike would not lose the

city so holy to them; the Arabs would not lose Al Quds, the Jews would keep Yerushakim as the undi-

vided capital of Israel, and the world

would be assured that Jerusalem was

not being assimilated into either.

form one uninterrupted entity.

Maastricht: The Letter The Brink

By Flora Lewis

P ARIS — The glow of the Treaty of Meastrichi has produced a hangover. Now it has to be ratified in each of the European Community's 12 members. That will not be easy.

The worst problem is that in sever al countries, short-term political tacat committee, such that postures un-tics are tangling with long-term func-pean strategies to blur the question which has to be answered with a straightforward yes or no. Attempts to amend or renegotiate the treaty cannot be accepted. There would be such a variety of reservations that the

such a variety of reservations that the basic compromise would unravel. Surprisingly, Britain is likely to sai through rainfeation with the less trouble. Prime Minister John Major, the holdout during negotiations, when he had to face elections under Mayers at Thatcher's glar has been Margaret Thatcher's glare, has been re-elected with a sturdy majority. He is one of the few EC leaders who sits firmly in his sear

The weakness of the other governments is a serious handicap. Each has its own constitutional procedure and more difficult, political manurem in relevant to the European issue but hard to exclude from the decision There is no clearer example that the Community remains a club of states still a long way from the vision of a consolidated European power.

This is the time for sorting on statesmen and politicians, which democracies do not always do well. Few are flatly against Europe, but it is easy enough to make argument about the method and timing of naffication, the dull technocracy of Brussels, or sudden compassion for the plight of East Europeans pressing their noses against the windowpass.

Basically, there are two sets of op-ponents to Maastricht. One includes those who really do not want to see the EC move any further toward shared sovereignty and who consider the existing nation-state system the ultimate in human society. They are mostly on the right, but there is leftist nationalism, or leftist exploitation of nationalism, too, and not only in

Serbia and Ukraine.

The other group is using the issue to cover calculations for domestic electoral advantage. They might take a different stand if they were in power. It is a failing of the existing leadership. especially in France, that many people think the treaty was negotiated in se-cret and holds hidden traps.

cret and holds hidden traps.

The verbiage is ponderous, the result of having to be drafted in nine languages, and the text is too long and complicated, the expression of endless doubts and compromises. But there were no secrets. People were not paying attention during the least reception. ing attention during the long negotiations, and the leaders did not do their job of explaining and educating as they went along. Now they have to sell their product to the unprepared at a time when many of them have run out of voter confidence.

Denmark, always a queasy men ber, is the least sure to ratify, but the biggest fight is shaping up in France. President François Mitterrand must try to avoid a referendum for fear the voters would say no to him. That is how Charles de Gauile was toppled, on the question of regions, which really were not unpopular.

really were not unpopular.

France requires constitutional amendments first, and the party fineup may block the process. The opposition is split. Former President Valley Giscard d'Estaing, loyal to the pro-European policy he implemented, fa-vors Maastricht; but his ally-rul, for-mer Prime Minister Jacques Chine, is casting around for objections in hopes of speeding the government's fall.
The color of money is an issue or

erywhere, but in contradictory terms. The French and others fear German economic might will make the Deut-sche mark their ruler if they accept a common currency, and Germans wor ry that their vaunted mark will drown in a European pool. The facts of co- 242 nomic life have already internationalized money, but people do not notice when it looks so different.

This comment was adapted by the International Herald Tribune from a longer article in the current issue The point is that after 35 years of limited Community life, the EC is about to take a huge leap and people are emotionally worried about loss of national identity, which will endure and the FC Mill the reasons that launched the FC Mill As Old Ideologies Fall, Where Are the New Ideas? and made it prosper, all the reasons that made it an irresistible magnet to

outsiders, remain true. Refusal of Maastricht would be devastating.
The great strength of the new En rope is that it is built on consent ft falls to the current crop of uninspiring, mediocre leaders to convince their people, as their predecessors did, that Europe's future can and must be better than the past. ft takes courage to look ahead, but

there is no better choice. C Flora Lewis.

for the United States.

of Foreign Affairs.

By William Pfaff

Army Faction has announced suspension of terrorist attacks. The most recent of those was a year ago, when the German terrorists murdered the head of the agency in charge of dismantling the moribund East German economy and selling its parts off to private buyers. The collapse of East Germany had deprived the Red Army Faction of its operational base, but it was still capa-ble of lethal operations. Now the terrorists' message suggests that they will bargain for an amnesty. It seems a long way from that to the formation of a new cabinet in present unhappy state.

London earlier this week, but the connection is not as remote as one might think. The newly re-elected British prime minister, John Major, has installed the formidable Margaret Thatcher's detested enemy - and challenger, cause of her downfall -Michael Heseltine as minister of trade and industry. Mr. Heseltine is an enthusiastic European who wants Britain's industry to cooperate with Europe rather than the United States. He also believes in interventionist

state industrial policy. Two ideologies bave come to the end of the road. Let us call ideology a matter of ideas acted upon with passion, even violence. The romantic terrorists of Italy and Germany thought they were confronting their societies with the internal "contradictions" of capitalism. They seized the political initiative in their countries, even though they actually strengthened liberal institutions by forcing the public to set a value upon these.

there a contested idea that would Thatcherism and Reaganism — the revival of free market economics in the have serious public consequences if it

governments of Margaret Thatcher and Ronald Reagan — were greatly influenced by the theorists Friedrich von Hayek and Milton Friedman and turned into something like a crusade.
The specific political character of Reaganism was to hold government responsible for society's ills and refuse to fund it or respect it. This, unlike market economics, was not a success, having brought the United States to its Ideas count. In the late 1940s and the 1950s, ideas of liberal internation-

alism and collective security greatly changed the United States - and, as a result, Europe and Japan. These were reactions to the political beliefs of the prewar period, when the challenge was from totalitarian ideas The New Deal in America may

have been an affair of improvised innovations, but it developed within a general ideology of the state's responsibility for society's well-being that was a novelty then in the United States and was bitterly debated for years afterward. Keynesianism was the great issue of economic debate.

Today a striking lack of political ideas, and of debate about ideas, characterizes politics in both Western Europe and the United States. What great ideas distinguish Bill Clinton from George Bush? Programs keep them apart, specific proposals on taxes, educational reform, military budget reductions and so on. Nowhere in the American presidential debate is

were put into action. The elections just over in Italy, Germany and France saw incombent parties punished for their lethergy, corruption, failure to solve unconployment or to control immigration. The ideological content of these electoral campaigns was virtually nil. People voted for extremists, marginals, ontsiders, because of their discontent with the insiders. The difference in Britain's election

was that the ideas of Thatcherism and socialism still had a role, if a paradoxical one. What defeated the Labor Party was that while the Tories under John Major had distanced themselves from Thatcherism, Labor still had not escaped the shadow of a socialism that had come to represent social injustice, rather than justice, to a majority of voters.

Elsewhere the big debates seem provisionally ended. The idea of the social

market economy - welfare capitalism - is an uncontroversial success in Germany, and is the direction in which the rest of Western Europe seems headed. The quarrels are programmatic - or personal. The social priorities seem to have been set.

Americans should be disquieted by all of this. The problems faced by the other democracies today are secondary ones, in principle capable of solution with the means at hand. The ideas by which the British, French, ftalian and German governments function are sufficient to the prob-

America is the country really in need of ideas and fundamental debate. It is the country with economic problems it seems unable even to address, much less soive. The ship drifts; the bands play. That at least is

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the perception - a dangerous one.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1892: Jews to the Red Sea CAIRO - The German Dr. Fried-

mann, director of the emigration of Russian Jews to the Red Sea district, has just left for Cherm Moayek, situated at the extremity of the peninsula of Sinai, to rejoin the rest of the expedition. He is the object of penal proceedings from Berlin under the charge of bad treatment of the emigrants. He protests indignantly gainst these accusations.

1917: A Call for Sacrifice

WASHINGTON - President Wilson has addressed a stirring appeal to. the nation, asking for prompt, patriotic co-operation from every branch of industry, commerce and agriculture in order that both America and the Allies be plentifully supplied, particularly with food: "The entry of our beloved country, for democracy and the rights of humanity, into the serious and terrible war, creates so important southern port of Iloilo, many problems for national life that I

hope you will allow me to say a les words of serious advice. We must devote ourselves without any coasideration of material profits and with an energy which rises to the level of the enterprise itself."

1942: Landing on Pansy WASHINGTON - [From our New York edition:] Japanese troops cr-

tended their operations in the Philippines today [April 16], landing inforce on the central island of Panal under cover of naval guns and ancraft, while the American forts in Manila Bay continued to best off enemy bombers and pound supply lines and gun emplacements, causing heavy damage and casualties to Japo nese forces within range of their heavy artillery, the War Department revealed. The Japanese troops landed while Japanese naval units shelled the defenders and aircraft attacked them.

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In a Nationwide Snarlfest, Europe of The Loser Is Democracy The Brink By William Safire By William Safire By William Safire By William Safire By William Safire

in the face. The national gorge is on the rise Pollsters assure us that this is the year of the mad as hell voter.

Popularity ratings mean nothing; only the feared "negatives" are counted and in that inverted rating, to be belind is to be ahead. Radio talk shows have become snarffests, the most successful call-in hosts are the dudgeonaries who whip listeners into new danders at representatives checking their caches. Television news has tapped into the

hyperarticulated frustration. Its anchors are heard spreading the disparaging word and its cameras linger lovingly on mages of joblessness, homelessness, homelessness and lessnessness. The print media are not to be outdone

in the surfiness sweepstakes. The tab-loids trash the candidates with garish electraising in your face" to the year's hottest compound adjective.

Meanwhile, the sobersided suchems of the responsible press lionize a couple

of senators who quit because they are bored, and treat the handsome pair as heroes for disdaining the anxieties of public service.

The politics of resentment is being covered — and of course, exaggerated because enough people are persuaded that it is more fun to sound off than in sign on America's most visible

WASHINGTON -- Outrage is In. product is steam, which is being let off at a great rate.

Five years ago, you couldn't stir up outrage with any provocation. Saddam Hussein gassed 5,000 Kurds, and a handful of moralists hollered in vain; professors at the U.S. Army War College are still explaining that the atrocity never happened; and while watchdogs yawned, the State Department helped Iraq prepare for war.

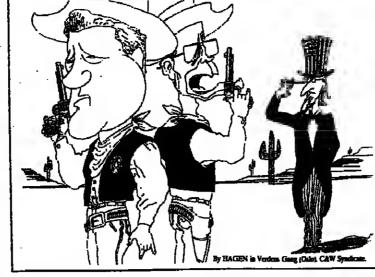
Cool was In then. Those who ineighed against the abuse of the franking privilege by a Congress stuffing its constituents' mailboxes with advertising were shrugged off as scolds.

Now a combination of recession, rest-

lessness and a loss of the focus of anticommunism has transformed the public mood. Outrage bestrides the stage. Fringe political types, who always capitalize on fads in philosophy and feelings, moved in on the mood swing. Today's attitude is to take offense.

Thus we have the mirror-image candidacies of Jerry Brown and Patrick Buchanan, catering to the voguish resentment by esponsing nativism, protectionism and isolationism. Their swer to alienation is to bait the aliens.

Thus we have the weird wish for the All-Positive Candidate, unblemished by the experience and compromise that burden the candidates of reality. Republicans let themselves be infuriat-



ed at the demonstrated shortcomings of creating a constituency of the dispossessed. George Bush; Democrats vent their wrath at being forced to accept a "flawed candidacy" of Bill Cinton. The election will be decided by how many more Democrats cannot stand Mr. Clinton than Republicans cannot abide Mr. Bush.

President Bush, the candidate of continuation, styles himself as the agent of candidate of a new generation, has genu-ine change to offer, but the moment's majority prefers only to express outrage eliminating "waste, fraud at the status quo - not to take a chance

on loving a stranger.

This general embrace of outrage, this trendy glorification of outsiderhood invites a far-out candidacy to flower. The world's most self-possessed nation has indulged its frustrations to the point of

Enter H. Ross Perot, the man on computerback. He scoops up the troops of Mr. Buchanan and Mr. Brown, inherits the wind of resentment and buys loose votes with a billionaire's riches without causing concern because he is seen to be "too rich to steal." For those stressed out by life's complications, he has nochange; that's a joke. Mr. Clinton, the sweat answers, a simple message with

> He says he will handle the deficit by eliminating "waste, fraud and abuse But it is Americans' indulgence of selfish grumpiness that is the waste. It is the notion that the democrane system is unfair that is a fraud. And it is the willingness of free people to be diddled sdirected outrage that is an abuse.
>
> The New York Times.

She Wanted to Die on Her Terms

CUN CITY, Arizona — My mother By Karin Stevens Connelly wanted me to write this.

Before I left lows for Arizona, I asked a local physician to make it possible for me to assist my mother in committing suicide, since she had been diagnosed as having an aggressive cancer. His advice: "Let nature take its course."

But how do we interpret nature's course? Tuberculosis is natural; smallpox is natural; childhood diabetes and leukemia are both natural. My local health-food store has signs enjoining customers to "Obey the laws of nature." The reverse command, "Break nature's laws," is equally meaningless. Alexander Pope wrote in the 18th cen-

tury. "Nature and nature's laws lay hid in endless night. / God said, 'Let Newton be,' and there was light." But Einstein showed that even Newton was right only within certain limits.

The physician told me my mother would have "quality time"; he did not tell me about the quantity of pain she would experience. The hospice nurse, when she comes, seems to find a new tumor almost every other day, at times they are as big as the grapefruits that grow on the tree outside my mother's bedroom.

I do not think my mother would accept a lethal injection. The struggle be-tween life and death in her is not yet a zero-sum game. I told her what another doctor had told me - that if she fasted she would quickly enter a state of "euphoria." She resolved to fast — until she saw a plate of spaghetti, or a bowl of bean soup, or mashed potatoes with "fluffy white gravy." Or a fresh, hot roll

from a neighbor, covered with huckleberry jam that had been air-freighted to her, along with armloads of aromatic pine boughs, from her former neighbors in West Glacier, Montana. She doesn't want to die - but she wants to know that she has the right to choose.

One article of the Terminally III Pa-

tient and the Helping Persons' Bill of

MEANWHILE

Rights," provided by the local hospice, is this: "I have the right to be treated as a living human being until I die." The American Constitution mentions "life" and "liberty" side by side. Our freedom should include the choice, when choice is possible, of what grows inside our bodies.

My mother does not want to die; she wants to kill the cancer she has imagined as a "hig yellow cat" clawing at her from the inside. She told me the childhood story of the Spartan boy who captured a fox and kept it in his coat although the animal was tearing his body apart. And she reminded me of a story more appropriate to cancer pain, of the proud man forced by the emperor to bless him for weighing the man down with a last mortal stone.

My mother has refused morphine the drug of choice for dying cancer patients, urged on them by doctors and nurses. She cried when she saw on the news that Dr. Jack Kevorkian — inventor of the "suicide machine" - had been indicted for murder. She sees him as a hero. My father and I will never know whether she would have accepted a lethal dose of something in a physician-assisted suicide - we won't know because she will not have the choice.

Nor do we know what would have happened if she had pressed her query as to whether my father would be willing to shoot her. For us there were only two choices: to let the "natural" processes run their course, along with a certain amount of palliation — or to rely on the large bottle of morphine (which she sent hack after the first dreamy spoonful). To her, the choices look like this: to die as a drug addict, or to die in increasingly

intense pain, hlessing the yellow cat for its final ravaging of her body.

My family would like to see the Bill of Rights for the terminally ill be amended to say, "I have the right to be offered the choice of a medically induced death." An internist I consulted in Iowa asked, "If you helped her to die, how would you feel afterward?" I would feel fine, compared to how I feel now. But, of course, I would

be legally indictable for murder. There are claims that enthanasia techniques, if legalized, would be "abused" by the unscrupulous. In a society that spends vast amounts of public wealth on nuclear weapons, and which burns holes into the ozone layer for the sake of the refrigeration and air-conditioning industries, I feel skeptical of humanitarian arguments for withholding the

choice of death from the terminally ill.

My mother has asked me what was the oint of her suffering, and I said that as far as I could tell it was to show the rest of us that it could be endured. We know she can do it, but we don't know why she has

to do it this way, or as an addici. I am learning a lot of mortal lessons. I think I know what I would do in her place. I would fast and refuse morphine. Like her, I want to see all of my life with as much clarity as possible. But I hope, and she hopes, and I have promised her. that if I am diagnosed with such an illness, one of my choices will be a medically assisted death which can be ad-

judged neither as homicide nor stricide.
The hospice system is providing significant help for doctors and patients in dealing with the inevitability of death. When a cure is not possible, hospice promises care and palliation. The next step is already in the courts. Meanwhile, I am sure that those who are terminally ill. and their care-givers, will demand to be as free as possible to make informed decisions in the progress of death.

A critic might say this document ves my physician's point. My family and friends and hospice helpers have experienced an extraordinary quality of life in helping my mother while she dies. But for my mother's sake, however important these lessons have been to me.

they weren't worth the cost — and for some people the cost is even higher. My mother's sister-in-law told me about a woman who, overwhelmed by caring for her terminally ill husband, took her own life before he died. We have to measure such events against the potential ahuses of cuthanasia. We cannot know what kind of choice that couple would have made if other options had been available. All we know is, they didn't have the

choice, and the reasons they did not are legal and social, not natural. The technology is available: Dr. Kevorkian has demonstrated it, as have others who are more surreptitious, hut nonetheless indictable - and it is being withheld from people who are entitled to it.

I write this while my parents are asleep, hoping that my mother will die before she wakes, but at the same time that she will live long enough to see her friend Flavia, to eat some more "fluffy white gravy," to exercise her stroke-im-paired fingers, to smell the boughs filling her desert bedroom with the scent of northern pine, to hear her hospice helper sing "Amazing Grace" with my father. I would kill the yellow cat myself, but I would have to kill her, 100.

My father is up. He says, "It was a good night," which we both know is a lie. Postscript: When I read this to my mother for her approval, she said: "A condemned criminal has a choice of a lethal injection. I don't even have the ights of a criminal." On Feb. 29, she died.

Ms. Connelly is a writing instructor at Grinnell College in Grinnell, Iowa. She contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Shallow Is as Shallow Does

Regarding the report "In This Sterile Diorama, Life Is but a Theme" (April 9): Although I am repulsed by the pollnting of the French countryside by Euro Disneyland, I found Stephen Bayley's article pompous and misinformed. He states that American history is "shalling Beauty of Charoline Indian description." low." Being of Cherokee Indian descent, I would advise Mr. Bayley to learn something about the depth of American culture, where "heraldry" other than fast-food symbols indeed exists.

American culture is a changing culmre: If Europeans have such a wonderfal sense of cultural identity, why are they so hesitant about a united Europe-The there gives is using the an Community?

Decades ago, Walt Disney created a fantasyland for children. I remember, as

a small child, going to Disneyland for the first time. I was more than entertained; I was amazed that an adult could Letters intended for publication should be addressed "Letters to the Editor" and contain the writer's sig-

nature, name and full address, Letters

should be brief and are subject to editing. We cannot be responsible for the return of unsolicited manuscripts.

By Lee Hockstader

Washington Post Service

MIAMI - In 1990 the Bush ad-

ministration launched a propagan-

da project meant to crack President

reporters, editors, anchors, produc-

ers and technicians and beamed to

Havana via a portly balloon named

Two years, \$47 million and 1,300

hours of broadcasting later, there's just one glitch with TV Marti: Vir-

mally no one in Cuba has seen it.

first uttered the words, "Buenos

dias, Cuba!" the Cuban govern-

ment has successfully jammed TV

Even when it took the Cubans 20

or 30 seconds to block out the sig-

nal, it hardly mattered. Whether

showing news, sports or a Spanish-

language version of "Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous," nearly all

of TV Marti's broadcasts have been

On April 1, officials of the U.S.

Information Agency decided to try something new. They launched an additional half-hour of daily

broadcasting - a documentary on

the fall of communism in Eastern

The Cubans jammed that, too.

Europe — at hinch time.

between 3:30 A.M. and 6 A.M.

From the moment an announcer

have the imagination to turn a child's

dream into something real.

I wonder if Mr. Bayley will drag his own screaming child through the Louvre, force-feeding him on lost or stolen art works, or if be will end up taking the child to Euro Disney, in hopes of learning something valuable: a creative spirit. SUSAN CHAPOTON.

Euro Disney does not purport to be an American Trojan horse. People will either like it or they won't.

Mr. Bayley should keep in mind that
not one kid in the world thinks that Mickey is a real mouse.

GERALD HOUGH.

GENERAL NEWS

Democratic Protest

Regarding "American Voters Protest Too Much" (Opinion, April 7):

William Safire scolds American voters for protesting too much. He forgets that protest voting is a worldwide phe-nomenon, affecting all the self-styled democracies. The point at issue is how we represent democracy. Long described by politicians and opinion-makers as the contrary of despotism or to-talitarianism, and later as the strongest bolwark against communism, democra-

situation," said Antonio Navarro, a

Cuban exile who is director of the Office of Cuba Broadcasting for

Gilberto Rosal, a former anchor-

man who is now chief of TV Marti

in Miami, says: "We always have

the faith that someone - someone

is able to see us. Even if it's just

one person, that's compensation

Ramon Cernnda, a Cuban-

American publisher in Miami who

is critical of TV Marti, said, "No-

body sees TV Marti except the state

the administration of President

Ronald Reagan in the 1980s. Cu-

ban exile leaders in Miami knew

they had an ally whose enthusiasm for tweaking Mr. Castro was equal to their own. Led by an energetic

millionaire named Jorge Mas Can-

osa, the Miami exiles organized a

powerful, well-financed lobby.

The foundation pushed a bill

through Congress to create Radio

Marti, a U.S. government-pro-

duced station modeled on Cold

War radio broadcasts to the Soviet

Radio Marti, named for José

Marti. Cuba's 19th-century inde-

pendence hero, was launched in

Union and Eastern Bloc.

The origins of TV Marti trace to

the information agency.

security police."

cy seems to have lost its meaning in the post-industrial countries. It has boiled down to an empty ritual, labeled "free elections," held every other year or so, in which a handful of politicians go out fishing for votes while half the electorate just goes out fishing.

G. FERRAND. Lyon, France.

The Ottoman Jews

Regarding the report "Spain Reconciles With Jews" (April 1) by Alan Riding: It should be noted that an estimated 250,000 Jews found sanctuary in Turkish lands after being run out of Spain in 1492. The Ottoman Jewish community became not only the largest but the most prosperous Jewish community in the world. The Jewish community in Turkey today is the largest in any former Ottoman land except for Israel itself. GUNAY EVINCH

Make a Deal With China

During my first visit to China, 13 years ago. I found the system to be quite hard on people. But I reserved judgment.
On my 15th visit, in 1985, I noted a clear relaxation of the rules governing

Mr. Mas turned to television. There

were technical challenges. The sig-nal would be beamed from Wash-

ington via satellite to a receiving

station on Cudjoe Key, Florida

and up again about 10,000 feet to

Fat Albert, a tethered, helium-

filled acrostat the size of a whale.

Fat Albert would then aim the

broadcast at Greater Havana,

home to 2 million people, about a

Congress passed the enabling legislation, President George Bush

signed it and at 1:45 A.M. on

March 27, 1990, TV Marti went on

To avoid breaking international

broadcasting laws on airwave inter-

ference, U.S. officials decided to

transmit programs only in the mid-dle of the night, when Cuban televi-

But when Cubans set their alarm

clocks and tried to tune in, they

reported hearing at most a few

opening words before the picture

Since the opening broadcast, TV

Marti has been beamed continu-

ously, except during bad weather and a spell in early 1991 when Fat Albert slipped its tether and sailed

The decision to begin a half-hour and electricity to jam it.

and sound were jammed.

the air - sort of.

sion is off the air.

fifth of the island's population.

Buoyed by their success in radio, of broadcasting in the afternoon Mr. Mas torned to television. There came after Cuba had cut back dras-

tically on us own programming to save electricity. U.S. officials fig-

ured they could beam in a signal

without breaking international law.

bitterly, kept up the jamming and beamed some radio transmissions

of their own back at the United

States. That has interfered with the

signals of some stations in Florida.

In 1990, the information agency

commissioned a snrvey that

showed 28 percent of households in

Greater Havana could tune in TV

Marti, at least occasionally, if they tried. TV Marti's own studies, con-

ducted with Cubans who are al-lowed to visit Miami, indicate the

But virtually no one consulted in

Cuba believes even the lower fig-

ure. In interviews with scores of

Havana residents during a half-

dozen trips to Cuba, none reported

ever having seen TV Marti, al-

though many say they have tried.

Foreign correspondents in Havana

say they have never seen TV Marti

Mr. Navarro insisted that TV

"People know that it's up there,

that we care," he said. "People as

sume there must be something very

good about it or Castro would not

expend scarce resources like fuel

and know no one who has.

Marti is worth the price.

number is closer to 10 percent.

The Cubans have complained

peoples' lives. Considering Deng Xiaoping's avowed wish to open the country to capitalism, I was filled with hope. And in May 1989, amid huge crowds demonstrating in and around Tianan-men Square, I felt infected by their tremendous enthusiasm.

But in 1990, the hard-core Marxists once again had things well in hand. And last year my friends in Beijing and Shanghai almost refused to meet me, for fear of possible sanctions. Just back from my 29th visit to Beij-

ing, I find the horizon dark — not for China itself, but for the people's rights. True, the tourist now discovers striking signs of modernization. Luxury hotels are popping up at the rate of one a month in the big cities; modern airports allow easy access to cities once connected only by train. But the police presence, invisible to the uninformed since many of its representatives appear to be ordinary people, grows heavier by the day.

It is true that the very concept of "democracy," in the Western sense, has no meaning in a country that only a few

decades ago was still in the Middle Ages.
And rural dwellers, a majority of the population, feel that the economic opening of the past decade has brought them out the rest of the world. an case of living they have never known.

The great nations of the world must

take these factors into account. But they must also remain firm on the conditions of aid and the granting of privileged trade status to China. The former Soviet Union should serve

as an example: Mikhail Gorbachev was not motivated hy any democratic ideal when be launched perestroika. He had simply realized that, without reforms, the union and the Communist Party were headed to economic ruin. China remains a totalitarian country

par excellence, which hypocritically, im-perturbably and in Machiavellian fashion has promoted economic development and foreign trade in order to better impose Communist rule on its people. Since 1980, the people's living stan-

dard has undeniably improved, but since 1990 I have felt totalitarianism tighten its grip and, what's worse, there are signs of a return to Maoism. The liberal West must link its largess to the liberation of thousands of polin-

cal prisoners, victims of the most insidious and inexorable repression of recent years. The time has come. Let us not wait for the death of China's aged leaders to act for the people's rights. China, for all its new wealth, cannot live with-BERNIE AUBERT.

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'Shy' Peru Leader Tests the Sacred Cows

By James Brooke New York Times Service

"Obviously it's not a satisfactory the United States and the world.

his nickname, the Emperor. Four months ago, the Peruvian president told a business conference, "Even though it might be convenient if there were an emperor, that emperor won't be me, because I'm

very respectful of the constitution."

But with the nation's courts and congress padlocked by presidential decree last week, Peruvisus now have a clearer picture of the obscure university dean who burst onto the national scene in elections two years ago.

"Fuji's a shy man," said Hernando de Soto, an economist who resigned in January as the president's drug policy adviser. "And like all shy people, by the time they manifest them-selves, they have punched you in the nose." Former President Alan García Pérez may feel that way. Mr. Fujimori's government amounced Wednesday that it had issued arrest warrants for Mr. Garcia and other kaders of his American Popular Revolutionary Alliance, asserting that they were responsible for weapons it said were found in the party's headquarters in a raid on April 5.

Mr. Fujimori, 53, the son of Japanese im-

migrants, has made a career out of being underestimated

In the 1990 presidential election, Mr. Fujimori, a virtually unknown agronomist, ran a shoestring, word-of-mouth campaign, using a tractor called the Fuji-mobile. He handily beat Mario Vargas Llosa, the internationally acclaimed novelist, who ran a multimillion-

dollar campaign. In office, President Fujimori has gored sacred cows.

Roman Catholic Church leaders souttered when the new president advocated a national family planning program because he was "tired of seeing children eating out of garbage

U.S. officials were furious when Mr. Fujimori, at a regional conference on drugs in Texas in February, accused the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration of "corruption" and then warned that stationing American military advisers in Peru could provoke an-

U.S. officials have long asserted that Peru-In an obvious effort to soothe American feelings, Mr. Fujimori gave the Peruvian Air Force authority last week to control airports and to shoot down unauthorized planes in the major drug-growing region.

money was "insufficient."

But Mr. Fujimon's disregard for the niceabove 50 percent.

courts, Mr. Pujimon rose to the highest ratings of his 20-month-old presidency - 70 to Aware that public opinion can be fickle,

1985. Millions of Cubans tuned in.
Even critics acknowledged that it was offering something new to Communist Cuba: credible news and information about the island, the United States and the marks.

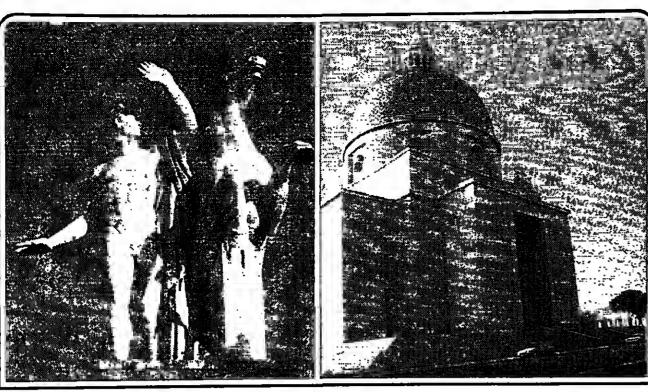
LIMA - Alberto Fujimori has lived up to

other Vietnam War. vian corruption prevents a crackdown on the nation's coca leaf crop, the world's largest.

Last month it was the turn of officials in Japan to fume. On a weeklong visit, Mr. Fuilmori met the emperor, addressed parliament in Japanese, visited his parents' hometown and negotiated a \$126 million aid package. On leaving, he told reporters the aid

ties of diplomatic convention and, more recently, for democratic institutions has kept his public approval ratings high, generally With last week's attack on congress and the

Mr. Fujimori has labored from the start of his government to build a solid power base among the army. Manipulating promotions, Vladimiro Montesinos, a cashiered army cap tain who is the president's security adviser, has built a corps of commanders who owe their positions to Mr. Fujimori.



With its bas-relief decorations and mosaics, the overall impact of EUR is one of somewhat dreamlike monumentality.

The Houses Mussolini Built

By Kate Singleton

OME — Italy has produced pleo-ty of good, well-illustrated books on the history of modern architecture. Yet oone of them yields more than an awkward passing comment on what is generally recognized as being one of the most significant examples of 20th-century urban planning: the EUR district in southwest Rome.

The reason for this widespread omission is simply explained; the original plans were drawn up in the mid-1930s, when the fascist regime proposed Rome as the host city for the 1942 Universal Exhibition. And 1942 also coincided with the 20th anniversary of the fascist revolution.

Mussolini took a personal interest in the project, insisting oo the collaboration of the country's foremost architects and urban planners to ensure that what was built would outlive the epbemeral exhibition.

Italy entered the war in 1940 and the exhibition oever took place. The building program did, bowever, albeit with numerous interruptions and modifications.

The expansion of Rome toward Ostia and the sea decentralized government departments, and reconciled public and private buildings, offices, apartments and gardens in a homogeneous design of considerable archi-

No small achievement. Yet it is only oow. 50 years on, that the damnatio memoria of a regime held by most Italians to be thoroughly inglorious has given way to a more objective appraisal of what was actually produced in art and architecture during that unfortu-

In recent years such painters as Mario Sironi, Achille Funi and Fortunato Depero have finally been judged for the art they produced rather than for the age in which they produced it. Happily, it is now the turn of such architects as Giuseppe Pagano, Luigi Piccinato, Ettore Rossi, and, above all, Marcello Piacentini pub largely promised and cello Piacentini, who largely supervised and coordinated the construction of EUR in its

Quintessentially Italian in its use of travertine stooe, brick and marble, in its mosaic and bas-relief decorations, the overall impact of EUR is ooe of somewhat dreamlike mooumentality (de Chirico's architectural backdrops spring to mind), softened by the surrounding wealth of parks and gardens.

EUR bas little of the dauntingly bombastie excesses of, say, German architecture of the period. What prevails is a sense of line, of visual elegance, that derives from the Italian classical beritage and characterizes the language of the oew generation of rationalist

Among the most outstanding buildings belonging to the original nucleus of EUR are the Polozzo della Civiltà Italiana designed by Guerrini, La Padula and Romano, the Palazzo dei Ricevimenti o dei Congressi by Adalberto Libera, and the impressive Post Office

by the Milanese group Banfi, Belgioioso, Peressutti and Rogers. Stylistically they are highly individual works, yet within the con-text of the district they become part of an imposingly coherent whole.

In the postwar years, and especially in preparation for the 1960 Rome Olympics. the building program got under way again.

HE ENI building that houses the oational energy company is an Ital-ian interpretation of the International Style that is original and in keeping with the "urban ideal" that informed the first stage of the district. The Sports Stadium designed by Pierluigi Nervi and Marcello Piacentini is another outstanding achievement of this later development.

Now that Italians have begun to look at EUR more objectively, they have also come to appreciate that the district is independent and well run, is financially more than solvent, and has exhibition and entertainment spaces that could be enjoyed by a far wider

The district's governing council has programmed a series of major shows, including a recent one on lnca civilization and a forthcoming exhibition on Barcelona. However, for those with an interest in urban planning and in architectural grandeur that transcends hollow rhetoric, EUR is worth a visit.

Kate Singleton lives in Italy and writes

Coffee, Tea or Bubble Bath?

By Lena H. Sun Washington Post Service

EUING — The young Chinese woman poked her toes ont of the water, stretched luxuriously, then slipped back into the soothing gurgles of the Jacuzzi-style whirlpool.

"This feels nice," she murmured, as she lay submerged under a layer of white bubbles, only her toweled head visible above the water. "I think I'll try the coffee oext time." She was not referring to the beverage but

rather to a bath of lukewarm coffee, one of 14 "health baths" offered by the Xing Hua Yuan Bathhouse. A soak in a coffee bath, according to the management, improves circulation, rejuvenates the skin and relaxes the body. The bath has added cachet now be-cause the instant coffee used is an American brand, Maxwell House

While the medical claims of the bathhouse may be duhious, there is oo doubt that its huxury services are fast becoming a fad in Beijing. The Xing Hua Yuan boasts the only milk, wine, tea and vinegar haths in town.

Like most of the city's bathhouses, the Xing Hua Yuan (Prosper China Garden), ooe of the city's oldest, used to be solely a place where residents could wash virtually free. Most Chinese shower at their work units or go to public baths because few have tubs or showers in their apartments. Some apartments in new high-rises might have a toilet and sink, but only high-level officials have bot water in their homes.

Because the fee is so low -it costs about 1 yuan, less than 20 cents, for a shower public bathhouses have long been moneylosers, propped up by buge state subsidies.

But in recent years, some bathhouses, such as the Xing Hua Yuan, have sought to provice something other than plain old soap and water. Their target clientele: the growing class of wealthy private entrepreneurs, China's oew elite.

While huxury bathhouses are common in the prosperous southern province of Guangdong, their appearance in Beijing is a recent phenomenon.

"Even as the majority of residents find it difficult to have comfortable baths in public bathhouses, and even as ordinary wage earners silently shake their heads at the 6 yuan entrance fee for a 'sauna,' luxury baths have already quietly emerged in Beijing," accord-ing to a March article in the official Economic Daily newspaper.

"As people's living standards improve, they want more than being clean — they want to make their bodies beautiful, they want to feel nice," said general manager Cao Baocai, whose neatly buttoned gray Mao suit doesn't quite convey the sense of sybaritic pleasure associated with the baths.

What's more, according to Economic Dai-, plunking down as much as 50 yuan — less than \$10 but an average worker's weekly salary - for a bath is becoming a status

It is not uncommon for fashionably dressed young people, some carrying porta-ble phones, to pull up in cars outside a luxury bathhouse around 5:30 P. M., relax in



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a sauna or herbal bath, then play mah-jongg

or video games, the newspaper said.

The Xing Hua Yuan, which reopened for business in late December after a \$950,000 renovation, does not offer man-jongg or video games, but it has whirlpools styled after American Jacuzzis, sannas and steam baths. Rooms are set aside for private baths. Attendants mix the main ingredients, such as coffee or milk, into the water.

Although the chambers bear fancy names such as "River With Spring Water Flowing," and "Eternal Life," the decor is spartan: bathing areas with white-tiled floors, white walls, white bathtubs and resting areas where patrons can lie on narrow beds.

On a typical day, the bathhouse has 300 to 400 customers and takes in about \$370, according to manager Cao. The facility is oow making a profit, he said.

A plain shower costs about 35 cents and a private bath about \$2.50. There is no time limit, so women who are trying to slim often spend the entire day going in and out of the Cao said the new luxury approach to bath-ing dated back to imperial tradition. The milk bath, especially popular among women, traces its roots at least to the Tang Dynasty, 712 A. D., when Yang Yuhuang, one of the most famous concubines in Chinese history, often took a dip in a milk bath.

Milk baths are supposed to make the skin smooth and supple. Tea baths are said to help eliminate wrinkles. A dip in a special-fragrance bath, a tradition of imperial count ladies, is supposed to prevent colds, fight ordinary headaches and eliminate athlete's foot. Bathing in rice wine, a favorite of the princes, is supposed to help one sleep. A tub of vinegar is thought to crase age spots and fight rheumatism.

In the future, Cao bopes to experiment with sand, mud and tree-leaf baths. He is not worried about accusations of bourgeois self-

"We are satisfying the needs of people's everyday life," he said. "All these baths only have good effects. There are no bad effects."

LPs: A Vintage-Vinyl Garage Sale

By Mike Zwerin

ARIS — The rock musician and philosopher Robert Fripp coined the term The Vinyl Solution in Musician magazine in 1980. It came to mind while I was strolling through the 17th semiannual CIDISC — Convention Internationale Disques de Collection, a mart for recorded music set up last weekend in the Espace Champerret. Situated under a beltway exit, it resembled a garage sale in a

Observing collectors browse through bins of recordings of varying physical formats and musical styles, I coined a term of my own. Vinyl Nerds. Not very generous, I'm afraid, but finding myself spending this beautiful April-in-Paris morning in a garage did not bring out the altruist in me. I had been led to believe that this event would feature a collection of collectors items. I was boping, for example, to discover an outtake of a Mahler symphony by the Vladivostok Philharmonic. I had been misinformed.

Vinyl Nerds surfaced in the mid-'80s. as record companies began to phase out LP (vinyl) production. At this point, collectors were oo longer oecessarily limited to people with discerning taste. When it became obvious that LPs were going to disappear sooner or later, all of them became — presto collectors items. Nostalgia still played a key role, but oow it was on fast-forward. Vinyl Nerds are oostalgic for breakfast.

The French are collectors by nature. Possessing one of everything helps give meaning to all those childhood hours spent laborious-

ly writing letters in little boxes on cross Spain, the United States and elsewhere trading 78s, 45s, 33s - 10- and 12-inch - and even CDs in the Espace Champerret last weekend. Few items were rare or expensive. One young man from Bordeaux was ecstatic to have added a second LP copy of Ray Charles's "Twist Panorama" to his collection for 170 francs (about \$31). I found a symphony by Charles Koechlin on CD for 30 francs (a bargain at half the price). To-ward the top of the line, a Pink Floyd EP of Point Me to the Sky" for 600 francs - the jacket copy is in Japanese and it was oever released on an album anywhere.

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Patrick Symmes told The Washington Post that he regularly scans the lonely bearts ads of wealthy divorcees and the bicycle-oding vegetarians searching for his perfect woman. "I've never actually tried to contact any potential perfect partners, though. I always freeze up at the part where it says 'send photo.' "H latest copy of Fly Rod & Reel magazine carries "Piscatorial Personals." where plenty of DFAs - that's Divorced Female Anglers - are looking for partners. One "pretty, petite DFA, 23" is desperately seeking that special man, with a boat to match to her 4x4 and

It was like a sale of remaindered books, section paper learning their ABCs. There
were also collectors from Britain, Italy.

An LP titled "Songs of the German Revolution" with a still photograph from a Leni Reifenstahl movie on the jacket for 150 francs. A 45 rpm copy of Billie Holiday's "Don't Worry Ahout Me" at 50 francs. I did oot buy Frank Zappa's LP (70 francs) "Ship Arriving Ton Late to Save a Drowning Wirch." Witch," because LPs take up too much space in your pocket and Zappa takes up too much space in your head.

The collectors magazine Jukebox was sponsoring the event. I asked the editor, lacques Leblanc, to profile his readers. "Some have specialty record shops," he said, or mail order businesses. For others, it's a hobby. In either case, it's passion more than a business. We try to set objective prices, but sentiment is always an intangible. It's like stamp collecting, only more so. In addition to the visual aspect, you have sound and oostalgia — the role a certain recording played in somebody's life: 'I met my wife while listening to . . . "

Jukebox has a Retro page on which typos and editing errors of yore are reprinted like precious digs. The April issue focuses on 1968. Lehlanc pointed with pride to the original French blurb for an album by a new American group called "Le Jefferson Air Planes." Leblanc introduced me to Herve Denoyelle, who is in the import/export business. On the road selling six months a year, be has many customers in the United States, but oot for records," he said. His face lit up: "In the States I buy records. You wouldn't believe what I find there for peanuts. I'm selling them here, except the ones I really



Clockwise from left: Roland Joffe's "City of Joy," Diane Kurys's "Après l'Amour," Derek Jarman's "Edward II."

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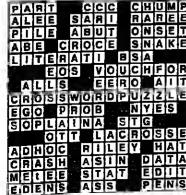
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Lola (Isabelle Huppert), a writcr. lives with David (Bernard
Girandeau) an architect, who has children and another life with Marianne (Lio). Luckily, Lola is busy with Tom (Hippolyte Girardot), who is married to Elisabeth (Laure Killing). And so it goes; everybody goes from being bored to getting burt, and back. These serial lovers are so self-focused they hardly know what they're doing with whom. Huppert suffers stoically - obviously she has no time to write, but she does look as if she's storing up material (Joan Dupont, IHT) Mediterraneo

tores. Italy.

Directed by Gabriele Salva-There are two questions that the nostalgic, escapist "Mediter-raneo" frames: Is man happier on a sunbaked, deserted Aege-

Directed by Diane Kurys.

Diane Kurys, who has always

made romantic comedies out of

her own life, takes on the

grown-ups of ber "Diabolo Menthe" go-go generation

France.

ridden divertissement win an Oscar? Not that the film isn't 'entertaining This World War II fable about an eclectic band of Italian sailors marooned on a bucolic Greek island for three years while fascism crumbles is a pleasant visual and social collage. Two sailors, brothers from the alpine north, find love in the rugged hills with a local shep-herdess. The introverted, sensitive Farma, falls in love with the prostitute who has been enter-taining his comrades, and fends off his mates at rifle-point. Sergeant Lo Russo (Diego Aban-tuono) a veteran of Africa, sheds his discipline and uniform for local costume and rhythms. The photography and pace are excellent, the cast and acting first rate. Yet one feels a sense of having seen these images before, in essentially the same order, with very little that is new. (Ken Shulman, IHT)

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City of Joy Directed by Roland Joffe.

After a night of boozing and wenching in the fleshpots of old

in a primitive clinic run by Joan Bethel (Pauline Collins), a feisty, youogish, Irish-born variation on Mother Teresa.
"City of Joy" probably means well, but it exemplifies the worst kind of simple-minded Occidental literature, in which India exists as a vast, teeming rehab center for emotionally troubled Americans. Adapted by Mark Medoff from Dominique Lapierre's novel, "City of Joy" is phony from start to fin-ish. In Joffe's view, Calcutta is magical: a city without consequences. But to anyone who has seen Mira Nair's "Salaam. Bombay" (among others) it's more like a visit to a severely depressed Disneyland (Vincent Canby, NYT)

Calcutta, Max Lowe (Patrick

Swayze), a coce-promising young Houston heart surgeon,

is beaten and robbed by street

thugs. Max couldn't care less.

Life has lost all meaning for him. He regains consciousness

Directed by Derek Jarman. U. S.

Jarman's phantasmagoric, out-

rageously stylized interpretation of Christopher Marlowe's play, is more a creature of its director's sensibility than its creator's. This is a politiciz revisionist version in which Marlowe's buried subtext - in particular, the sexual proclivities of his principal characters — becomes Jarman's scapbox. The British director, whose past work has dealt openly with gay themes, has found in Edward a martyred hero and a victim of repression and injustice whose obsessional passion for the despised Gaveston, leads to his overthrow and savage murder. In his hands, "Edward II" has become a chic melodrama, part art object, part "Valley of the Dolls." The king (Steven Waddington) and Gaveston (Andrew Tiernan) parade around with their followers like a surly street gang. The earls and barons are corporate board members in three-piece suits. Though sometimes unflattering or galling the gay images are those of an engaged artist less interested in what's politically fashionable than in what's true to himself. (Hal Hinson, WP)



Pre-Columbian Rituals at El Tajín the new luxury approach to be. beck to expense tradition le

By David Lida

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Totonacs. When the Spaniards arrived in this part of Veracruz in the early 1520s, the Totonics were performing the rite as an emoration to their rain god. The conqueror abolished indigenous religious activity dance survived because the Spaniards beseved it was a sport rather than a ceremony. Visitors to El Tailn; which is near the Gulf

of Mexico coast about 175 miles (280 kilometers) from the city of Veracruz, not only have the opportunity to observe the majesty of Mexico's pre-Columbian past. They can also watch that past emerge, as the site's citing temples and other buildings are deaned and renovated and many newly discovered ruins are excavated. The majority of the buildings in this section — there are about 20 — have been uncovered in excavations in progress since the mid-'80s.

A visit to the archaeological site can be combined with a stay at a low-key beach resort and a visit to a university city with a fine archaeological museum. Tourist facilities are comfortable if not humious and getting around is easy if a bit rugged.

El Tajin is built in a humid, fertile valley, percentled by verdant hills. Its strategic

location between two rivers made it not only the religious and commercial center on the gulf coast in the Classic period, A. D. 200 to 900, but also a trade route between the Mayan cities to the south and the civilizations of central Mexico.

The site itself, about a half-mile square, is navigated by dirt paths, sometimes covered in thin patches of overgrowth. The initial excavation, which took place from 1939 to the mid-50s, uncovered only seven or eight buildings, about a tenth of what the settlement was at its peak in the Classic period, according to José Luis Melgarejo Vivanco, director of the anthropological museum in Jalapa. With the current excavations, about half the city has been exposed, according to Melgarejo.

Many of El Tajin's ruins lack walls or

roofs, or are topped by disconcerting piles of unarranged rocks, but certain buildings are in fine condition and display the city's char-acteristic architectural details. The Pyramid of the Niches, for example, a 60-foot-high, seven-tiered structure, has square, bollowed insets decorating every level. These recessed panels were imitated in central Mexico and as far south as Hooduras.

had special significance at El Tajin - seven courts have been uncovered at the site. Indeed, the game, popular all over Mesoamerica, is thought to have had its origins in Veracruz, the home of the rubber tree, which is source of the material for the ball. The South Ball Court, about 50 feet long, is flanked by two walls, on top of which were the bleachers for spectators. Along the walls are evidence of the city's artistic mastery six carved panels depicting the game and its subsequent rituals of sacrifice.

Little is known of the rules. According to anthropologists, the ball was about six inches in diameter, bot weighed about 7 pounds (about 3 kilograms) which called for protec-tive padding for the players. As in soccer, hands could not be used; the ball was either kicked or was bonneed off shoulders and bips. There are various interpretations of the ritual, some suggesting that the losers were killed as sacrifices to the gods.

In the surrounding terrain, beyond the dirt pathways and in the imply overgrowths of trees, one might see a team of workers to the transfer of trees, shovels and trowels, and removing earth with a wheelbarrow or tractor.

The site, which includes a small warehouse exhibiting items found in the original excavation, is open daily, 10 A.M. to 7 P.M. Admission is about \$3.25, except Sunday,

David Lida, who lives in Mexico City, wrote this for The New York Times.

ONITS

Arriving and Departing Don't take access to El Tajín for

granted. Poza Rica, with the only airport in the area and the most buses, is the most strategic place to arrive or depart.

Anthropological Collection

Do think about other cultural attractions in the area. The Museum of Anthropology in Jalapa, the capital of Veracruz state, has an enormous pre-Cohumbian collection, A Day at the Beach

Do try to include the beach. Tecohala, on the coast, is the northernmost spot of a 20-mile stretch called the Emerald Coast, with the state's prestiest beaches.

A Veracruz Seafood Feast

Do try the food. Along the beach and the Tecolutia River are family-style restaurants serving Veracruz specialties such as chilpachole de jaiba en pulpo (crabmeat soup). A feast costs about \$15.

Conferences: Streamlined for '90s

By Roger Collis

E spent less on meetings in 1991 than 1990 and did more; but they were scaled back, say over weekend — fly them in Saturday might — go home Monday night, — go home Monday night, says David Kliman, director of travel management for Fireman's Pund Insurance Co., San Francisco, and a board member of Meeting Planners International, a trade asociation based in Dallas.

"I got into this meetings industry during the first oil crisis in 1973-

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74," says Lars Christensen, manag-ing director of International Conerence Services in Copenhagen. People said I was crazy. But we have the mumber of meetings in-

"And in 1979 the same thing happened again," he added. "I think in hard times there is a need to move closer together and dis-

And in spite of (or perhaps be-tause of) the recession, conferences and meetings are alive and well and being held even more frequently on both sides of the Aflantic. But they've become more purposeful and less gitzy; more of an investment in better times to come, and ess of a junket for times past. Pro-less of a junket for times past. Pro-less on a junket for times past. Pro-less on a junket for times past. Pro-less of a junket for times to come, and test of a junket for times to come, and test of a junket for times to come, and test of a junket for times to come, and test of a junket for times past. Pro-less of a junket for times and strategic and trategic for times for times and strategic and the pro-less of a junket for times and strategic and the pro-less of times for times and strategic. and tactical "imperatives." Com-

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"I see in Europe," says Kliman.

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meetings — like in the States — where they bring all of their cul-ployees together, saying, we're back in business, we've fired all these people, but we've now re-structured, and we're going

strong."
"That's right," says Beverly Kin-kade, director of sales and market-ing for the Sheraton hotels on Harbor Island in San Diego, and Meeting Planners' president.

Bring everyone in to explain the new program with a positive measage. Then you break out into small groups to drive the message down to the regional levels."

Even though you have these big plenary type sessions," she adds, meetings have become more inti-mate. Small within big. It used to be that you would see a general session and then a couple of break-outs. Now you are getting 15 or 20 in one meeting. It offers an oppornity for interchange."

"I don't think you can general-ize," says Martin Kinna, a meeting consultant in London. "We're find-ing associations in Britam are not holding big meetings in central cit-ies but going around with smaller meetings with their membership." A good conference, or meeting,

is a catalyst, a means to an end rather than an end in itself. Objec-tives should be clearly defined along with a clear idea of how you

"A meeting planner worth his salt — whether inside the company or outside consultant — should question the reason for the meeting, check out not just the black and white objectives but also the 'hidden agenda' — what does the company really want to get done?" Kliman says. "For example, are you checking somebody out? Or a group of people? Because they have been identified as future leaders. You want to see what they are like in a business and a social situation.

Then you look at cost, timing and attendance, speakers, and his-tory, very important — what did we do right and wrong in the past? Presentations, what do we need in terms of support? The venue and site; is there fun stuff? Depending on the culture of the company, the planner could have complete and utive secretary - it runs the gam-

est part of organizing a conference. If you have people from more than one country, plan to meet on neu-tral ground, such as a beach in Jamaica. A venue complements what you want to achieve as well as the kind of people attending.

"Absolutely. Venue is image ver-sus reality," Kliman says. "I mean, for us in San Francisco it is very inexpensive to go to Hawaii. But we only do that for certain meetings, simply because of the image. When you say to someone that you are going off for a meeting in say, Waikiki, they'll say, 'Give me a break, it's not a meeting. You're going off to have a good time." Even though it costs \$350 less per

"That's like suggesting to a German group to have an educational meeting in Monte Carlo," Christensen says. " 'Monte Carlo?' they say. 'Educational meetings you do in Duisberg.' I do a lot of work for financial people and it's important for them that the meeting is in total say. In my company nobody for them that the meeting is in London, Zurich, Frankfurt or Parple in my unit. In other companies it's the CEO, the CEO's wife, execyou're an executive in a bank you don't go to Bordeaux."



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May 24: "Victor Vasarety." Exhibit of
79 paintings and sculptures characterized by a strict use of geometric
figures and color-wheel gradations.

BRITAIN

London Barbican Centre (tel: 638.41.41). To May 4: "Van Gogh in England. Portrait of an Artist as a Young Man." Centers on 1873 to 1876, when the artist was in England. Also to May 4: "Englesson: Color Photographs: An-cient and Modern." Traces the ca-reer of William Englesson, a pioneer

reer of William Eggleston, a pioneer of color photography.

Tate Gaillery (tel: 821.13.13). To May 17: "Otto Dix." Retrospective of the German pelinter and graphic artist; includes atmost 70 of his works. Victoria and Albert Museum (tel: 938.85.00). To Sept. 13: Items belonging to the Royal Family shown to the public for the first time, including coronation robes and family photographs.

graphs. Whitworth Art Gallery (1el: 273.48.65). To April 25: Early paintings of the Austrian Expressionist Os-

CANADA

National Gallery of Canada (lel: 990,19.85). To June 7: "Paintera of a New Century: The Eight." Eight paintings produced by eight American Modernists during two decades.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Prague
Muaaum of Dacorativa Aris
(tet:232.00.17). To June 7: "New
Acquisitions 1986-1991." A selection of the best examples from e
wide-ranging collection. Among the
exhibited pieces are works from the
Middle Ages to the present, including
cerarrics and glass, metalwork, turniture, jewelry, toys, textiles, photogrephy and prints.

FRANCE

drawings.

Muséa das Beaux-Aris (tel: 80.74.52.70). To Aug. 10: "Portraits Sculptes du XVerne au XVIIIeme sie-" A study of the evolution of

Paris Galerie Nationale du Jeu da Pauma (tel: 42.60.69.69). To May 24: "Els-worth Kelly: The French Years, 1948-1954." Drawings, paintings and col-lages by the American abstract

Muaéa du Louvre (1el: 40.20.50.50). To June 29: "Ciodion, Sculpteur (1738-1814)." A retrospective showing Clodion's evolution from vases and statuettes to monumental sculpture. Muse Rodin (tel: 47.05.01.34). To July 19: "Rodin, 7,200 Dessins." A vertiable inventory of the anist's frautions.

Opéra Bastille (tel: 40.01.17.89). Jacques Ottenbach's "Tales of Hottemenn" in a Roman Polanski production, April 18, 21, 24, 27, 29 and May 2, 5, 8, 11.

"Pleureuse" by Clodion at the Louvre in Paris, and an oil by Ellsworth Kelly at the Jeu de Paume, also in Paris.

GERMANY

Altes Museum (tel: 262.19.28). To May 31: Re-creation of the "Degen-erate Art" exhibition held by the Na-zis in 1937 to naticule the avant-garde Frankfurt

Schirn Kunsthalle (tel: 299.98.82). To May 10: "Construction & Imagina-tion," Works of the Soviet Russian avent-garde 1910-30.

HONG KONG

Hong Kong Hong Kong Museum of Art (tel: 734,21.20). To May 2: "City Vibrance: Recent Works in Western Media by Hong Kong Artists," Photography, paintings and ceramics by artists besed in Hong Kong,

IRELAND

Dublin Publin Irish Museum of Modern Art (lel: 718.666). To May 10: "Sounding the Depths." Moxed media exhibition by Louise Walsh and Pauline Cummins; the show dictates a process of growth and heating. To May 17:

"Barbara Broughei." Fourteen instal-lations that illustrate Incidents In America's colonial past.

Breccio di Carlo Megno (lel: 698.33,33). To April 26: "Tha Work of Man: From Goya to Kanonsky." Paintings which depict how the in-dustrial revolution affected mankind. Vilta Medici (tel: 676.11) To May 31: More than 150 drawings by Raphael and his pupils.

JAPAN

Kyoto National Muaeum (tal: 541.11.51). To May 10: "Art Treasures of Deikaku-ji Temple." A collection of national treasures owned by the temple, which was once the imperial villa of the Emperor Saga in the 8th century. Among the pieces on display are Buddhist Images and paintings, calligraphic works, peintings on alioling screens and craftworks.

Meguro Museum of Art (tal: 37,14,12.01). To May 17: Chagail exhibition; prints, oils and watercolors by the French artist. Tokyo Metropolitan Telen Art Mu-seum (lel: 34.43.85.00). To May 24: "Paris Modern." Exhibition of early 20th-century works, including posters, photography, tilms, paintings prints and sculptures.

PUERTO RICO

San Juan Instituto da Cultura Puertorriqueña (1el: 724.0700). To April 30: Retrospectiva of paintings from 1938 to 1975 by Wifredo Lam, a figurative pamer of Chinese-Cuban descent.

SPAIN

Granada Ls Alhambra (tel: 22.89.36). To June 7: "Al-Andalus: Islamic Art in Spain." Objects created during the eight centuries of Arabic presence in Spain.

Museo Sorolla (tel: 319.86.16), To May 3: "Zorn and Sorolla." Features works by Anders Zorn, the Swedish portrait and genre painter, and by Joaquin Sorolist y Bastida, the Span-ish Impressionist painter.

SWEDEN

Stockholm National museum (tel: 666.42.50). To May 10: Retrospective of Sweden's turn-of-the century painter Carl

SWITZERLAND Lausanne Fondetion de l'Hermitage (tel: 617.7321). To May 10: "50 Ans d'Art Vaudois." One hundred and fifty pieces created by early 20th-century Vaudois artists.

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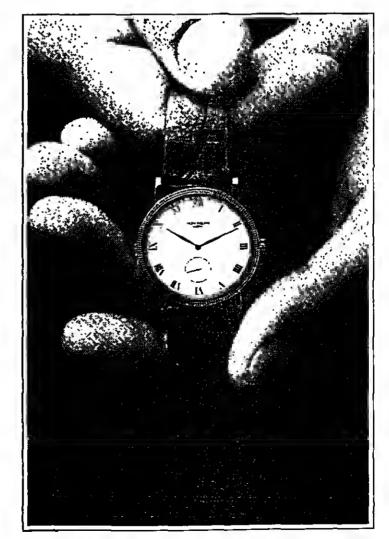
Atlanta High Museum of Art (tal: 892.36,00). To May 3: "Memory and Metaphor: The Art of Romane Bearden, 1940-87." Examines certain themes in the artist'e work, such as jazz musicians.

Los Angeles
County Musaum of Art (1el
857.61.11), To June 7: "Homage to
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Brooklyn Museum (tel: 638,5000).
To May 3: Installation concerning the migration of Caribbean and African Americans to Brooklyn by the Harlem-based artists Houston Cornvill, Joseph de Pace and Estella Cornvill Maiozo.

Michael Ward Gellary (1al: Michael Ward Gallary (1al: 831.40.44) To May 30: "Hidden Heritage: The Art of Eastern Europe from the Stone Aga to the Celts." Artworks and artifacts that reveal something about the peoples who made them. Long preserved works in pottery, stone and, later, metal are brought to light from berrows, lombs and buried hoards.

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Hanson Strives to Create 1].S. Accent on Its Stock

By Barnaby J. Feder New York Times Service

EW YORK - After years of trying, Hanson PLC has finally nudged the level of American ownership of its stock over 20 percent. But that is far short of the goal the industrial and natural resources conglomerate outfined to U.S. analysts and portfolio managers during the company's recent investment roadshows.

The company wants to be "a core investment holding here as we are in Britain," according to Lord White, head of its U.S. operations. Hanson's track record certainly warrants attention. The company has reported increased profit every year since it was founded in 1964 when Lord White and Lord Hanson merged

The conglomerate

heir fertilizer, commercial vehice distribution and printing businesses and built the condomerate with a string of

wants to be 'a core By now almost no company in Britain or the United States investment holding is too large to be considered a in America. potential Hanson acquisition,

point driven home by the faror that erupted in London last summer when Hanson began buying shares in Imperial Chemical Industries PLC.

Some analysts say the stock, which is traded on the New York Stock Exchange where one American depository receipt repre-sents five British shares, is undervalued. On Thursday, the ADRs doed at \$20.375, down 12.5 cents from Wednesday. In London, it doed at 235 pence (\$4.14) on Thursday, down one penny for

"It's extremely cheap right now," said Geoffrey Allum, leader of the analysts who follow Hanson for County NatWest Wood Mackenzie in London. "It doesn't need to acquire any more exets to benefit hugely from any economic pickup."

in recent years, over half of Hanson's business has come from US. operations, where its natural resource holdings include Peabody Coal Co., the largest coal company in the United States; Cavenham Forest industries Inc. and Gold Fields Mining Corp. Other businesses include Jacuzzi health spas, Endicott Johnson shoes, Faberware cookware, Kaiser cement, Ames tools and Grove Worldware the read-Worldwide, the world's largest producer of construction cranes.

HE AMERICAN businesses together would form a company with revenue ranking among the top 60 in the country. Hanson, which formerly owned Smith Corona Corp., took it public in 1989 but retains a 48 percent interest. Hanson's holdings in Britain include Imperial Tobacco Ltd. and a linge stake in the construction industry, recently enlarged

by the acquisition of Beazer PLC. It has just agreed to sell its British battery company, Ever Ready Ltd., to Ralston Purina Co. Most analysts are not as confident as Mr. Allum about the prospects for Hanson's stock. They say the company has become so large there is little hope it can continue achieving 28 percent

Bruce Davidson, who follows Hanson for Smith New Court, described it as a "mature but cyclical" stock with over a third of its revenue coming from economically sensitive businesses.

Operating income fell in the year that ended Sept. 30 for the

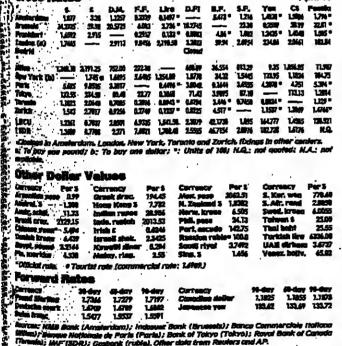
first time. Net income in the quarter that ended Dec. 31 fell 21.2 percent, to \$349 million from \$443 million in the last quarter of 1990, which was bolstered by \$92 million in onetime profits from

The earnings slowdown comes as Hanson is trying to shed its mage as a deal-driven company dependent on its founders. Another stumbling block for investors has been the concern's 'accounting practices; a result of operating an array of companies under different U.S. and British accounting standards. The argument for Hanson is that companies that have been

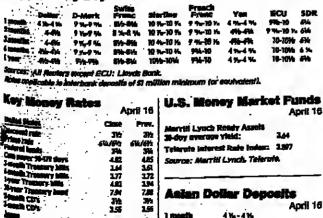
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What's Peoria Singing? Hard Times for U.S. Labor

Caterpillar Weakens the UAW

By Peter T. Kilborn New York Times Service

PEORIA, Illinois - The abrupt end of a five-month strike against Caterpillar Inc. showed that management can bring even a union so mighty and rich as the United Automobile Workers to its knees by asserting that experienced machinists, tool makers and technicians add no more value to the products they make than an untrained job hunter who comes in off the street.

Half a century ago, under the leader-ship of Walter Reuther, the union vanited the blue-collar work force into the middle class, forcing Henry Ford and the other powers of Detroit to treat workers as something more than biceps and sweat.

But the Caterpillar strike suggests that the Ford strain of American man-agement is alive and well in Peoria, and Mr. Reuther and the American labor movement are not

The dispute here tested the hlue-collar bedrock of a labor movement whose membership has dwindled to 12 percent of those employed in private industry, one of the weakest rates among industrial countries. The Big Three automobile compa-

nies, with contracts of their own to negotiate next year, and their UAW members, their own numbers down

from 1.5 million 13 years ago to 900,000 now, each have a vital stake in the outcome of the Caterpillar strike.

"Tye never seen an issue that's hotter in this plant," said Bernie Rickie, an officer of the late Mr. Reuther's Local 600, in Dearborn, Michigan, which represents workers in Ford Mo-tor Co.'s River Rouge plant. Al Puma, a fellow officer, asked:

"Who's next? If they can do it at Caterpillar, what's going to stop Ford, General Motors and Chrysler from doing it That sense of insecurity and anguish was widespread among the Caterpillar employees. They have been told the

company will take them back under the terms of its latest contract offer, but they have not been told when. The message from Peoria is that the old balance of labor and management relations, established in the 1930s and 1940s, has decisively tipped toward the

management of those companies that attach little value to 25-year veteran workers, the average at Caterpillar. The company deployed a formidable weapon, one unsheathed and sharpened largely in the last decade — the threat of giving the strikers' jobs to other workers

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Hardball Is Name of the Game

By Stuart Silverstein Los Angeles Times Service

LOS ANGELES - The hardball approach to employee relations — which says "if you don't like it, find another joh" - is becoming increasingly common in American husiness, many labor analysts and academics sav.

Fears of joh loss are running high among hive-collar workers and executives alike, adding self-imposed pressures to those caused by the weak economy and increasingly tough employers.

General Motors Corp. is singled out as one of those tough employers. Among oth-er things, critics said, the carmaker publicly pitted its factories and, in turn, its employees in Ypsilanti, Michigan, and Arlington, Texas, against each other before announcing two months ago that the Michigan plant would close and the Texas facility would survive.

Sears, Roebuck & Co. abruptly slashed sales commissions in March in a move analysts said was intended to induce some experienced and relatively high-paid employees to quit.

American Telephone & Telegraph Co. has transferred bundreds of workers around the country over the last year, only to dismiss them shortly afterward. A professor at the University of California at San Diego, Harley Shaiken, said: "We've always seen aggressive manage-ments in many industries. What's different now is that a number of companies who for most of the last 40 years operated on the basis of a certain social contract are redefining the terms of that cootract." He added: "It isn't just a hack-alley

machine shop with 200 workers going after its union. It's AT&T violating seniority rules. It's Caterpillar threatening to replace its work force."

Business interests concede that in many ways life has gotten harder for the average U.S. worker over the last decade. But companies defend themselves by saying they must boost productivity and bold down labor and other expenses.

GM, Sears and AT&T say they have had to take unpleasant cost-cutting steps solely to remain competitive.

A GM spokesman said before the automaker decided to close its Willow Run plant in Ypsilanti that it simply wanted to give both that factory and the competing Texas facility a chance to say why they should be kept open. "We didn't say, This is what those guys said, can you do

Still, many employees and workplace experts feel employers are being tougher than they have to be.

France Delays Flight Limit EC-U.S. Agriculture Compromise

PARIS - France will allow U.S. airlines to increase their summer flight schedules until May 3 to permit talks on air travel between the two countries to continue, French and U.S. officials said Thursday. The two countries are at odds over how much airline capacity may be

increased between them during the summer season, which runs from

U.S. airlines, which have been expanding across the Atlantic in recent years, are seeking capacity increases of up to 40 percent, while France wants to keep the growth to about 15 percent.

"We have allowed American carriers to apply their programs until May 3 in order to continue negotiating," said Robert Esperou, head of the transportation department of France's civil aviation authority.

He added that French and U.S. negotiators met in Paris this week and that the talks had adjourned without a date being set for them to resume.

A U.S. Embassy spokesman confirmed that U.S. carriers had been permitted to proceed with the flight increases until May 3.

Two weeks ago, France told U.S. airlines to trim their planned summer.

increases to about 15 percent, prompting a U.S. threat of retaliatory restrictions against the state-owned airline Air France.

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

PARIS - The European Community and the United States are discussing a compromise on the farm trade dispute that has thwarted world trade talks. trade consultants said Thursday.

The deal under discussion would reduce the EC commitment to cut subsidized grain exports if there was any rise in U.S. grain substitute exports to the Community, they said.

One consultant said Guy Legras, the EC director general for agriculture, and Hugo Paemen, the senior trade negotiator for the EC, were discussing such a The two met U.S. officials secretly in London oo

Tuesday to seek a deal on farm trade in the stalled Uruguay Round of talks under the auspices of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Washington insists that the EC agree to cut the

volume of farm products, notably grain, that it exports with the aid of subsidies.

A European Commission official said he could not confirm that such a proposal had been made by the

EC, nor that it had been accepted. The consultants said that under bilateral discussions, the United States appeared to be willing to accept direct payments to farmers by the EC, which are to be the basis of the new EC farm policy.

Meanwhile, the EC on Thursday rejected an accusation by Japan that the Community is to hlame for delays in concluding the Urugnay Round talks.

The Commission said it was surprised by Japan's atotude "as the European Community still awaits from some of its partners additional proposals notably from Japan in the area of market access - in order to positively conclude" the GATT talks.

Profit Rises 7% At BofA

Security Pacific Records Big Loss

SAN FRANCISCO - Bank-America Corp. said Thorsday that its first-quarter earnings rose 7.4 percent, to \$303 million, while its merger partner, Security Pacific Corp., reported a loss of nearly half a billion dollars. The two California banks are set

to close their merger in a matter of days, creating the second largest hanking company in the United States, after Citicorp.

Two other large banks, Continental Bank Corp. of Chicago and PNC Financial Corp. of Pittsburgh, reported strong gains in

first-quarter earnings. Many California banks have been hurt by a sharp real estate downturn, which hit the state later than other parts of the nation. But San Francisco-based BankAmerica said its conservative lending policies and cost cuts helped it weather

the storm. Security Pacific, based in Los Angeles, recorded a loss of \$496.3 million, compared with a profit of \$96.5 million a year earlier. Robert Smith, the bank's chairman and chief executive, said the results reflected the continued impact of prolonged adverse economic condidons" in several key markets.

Meanwhile, Continental Bank said first-quarter earnings more than doubled, to \$57 million from \$28 million a year earlier.

The bank said earnings benefited

from reduced provisions for loan losses and lower operating ex-

PNC Financial Corp. said net income rose 44 percent, to \$127.7 million from \$88.4 million a year earlier, because of strong profit margins, cost controls and the strength of its business units. Although most hanks are still hurdened by a high level of non-

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Third World Income Slips for Second Year

By Steven Greenhouse New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - For the first time since World War II, peryears, the World Bank said.

But for the 1990s as a whole, the World Bank forecast that the Third World economies would do better than in the 1980s, largely because many developing nations have embraced economic reforms. The World Bank said in a report issued Wednesday that Middle Eastern countries had been particularly hurt by the Gulf War, and Eastern Europe by its transition to a market economy. The slow-down in the United States and other industrial nations hurt all Third

World countries, which rely on them for export revenue. Per capita income in the Third World fell 0.2 percent in each of the last two years, according to the report. For the rest of the decade, the report said growth in per capita income in those nations would jump to 2.9 percent a year from 1.2 percent a year in the 1980s.

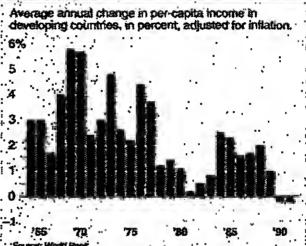
"We are most optimistic about growth in East Asia and are least optimistic about per capita income growth in sub-Saharan Africa," said Lawrence Summers, chief economist for the World Bank.

The industrialized nations could greatly spur growth in the Third World by removing import barriers to manufactured goods, the report said. If the United States, the European Community and Japan reduced their trade barriers by 50 percent, it would increase Third World exports by \$50 billion annually, the World Bank said. That is almost equal to the net flow of official development aid in 1991.

The report views increased exports of manufactured goods as concial to Third World errowth. crucial to Third World growth,

Cheap labor remains the main competitive advantage of the developing world, the report said. But it said nations must improve

Developing Nations' Income Decline



their marketing expertise, telecommunications systems and trans-

portation networks to remain competiove.

The report predicted that growth in the seven major industrial countries would average 2.6 percent a year this decade, down from 2.8 percent in the 1980s. It said high German interest rates, the large U.S. budget deficit and the efforts of American companies to improve their halance sheets would be factors in the slower growth The World Bank foresecs a continuing shortage of capital that will

hart developing countries struggling to attract investment. One result of this shortage, the report said, is that real interest rates will be a high, 3.3 percent this decade, which will nonetheless be lower than the record 3.8 level of the 1980s.

British Job Losses Slow

Committed by Our Staff From Dispatches LONDON - Hopes that the British recession was ending were boosted on Thursday by data showing the lowest monthly increase in

unemployment in nearly two years. Department of Employment fig-ures for March showed that season-ally adjusted unemployment rose by only 7,400, to 2.652 million, after an revised increase of 37,800 in February. Economists had forecast an increase of 38,000.

"The number of people becoming unemployed has eased over recent months, and more people are leaving unemployment and getting back to work," said Employment Secretary Gillian Shephard.

The seasonally adjusted johless rate was 9.4 percent in March, unchanged from February, when un-employment was originally esti-mated to have climbed by 40,200. In March 1991, the adjusted jobless total was 2.089 million and the jobless rate was 7.4 percent.

March was the 23d month in a row that the jobless total rose. But the growth in unemployment appears to be slowing after averaging 32,400 a month the past six months.

"Evidence is slowly beginning to emerge that the real economy is slightly stronger than people imagined," said James Sawtell, economist at Warburg Securities.

Stephen Bell, chief economist at Morgan Grenfell, said, "Recent worries that unemployment may be accelerating will have been calmed by this number."

In contrast, a survey by a leading business group found retail sales weakened last month, held back by an uncertain pre-election mood In March, there were 5 percent more retailers saying sales were be-low last year's level than saying they were higher.

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Cable Break Plagues U.K.

LONDON - Communications in Britain were disrupted for nine hours when an undersea cable carrying data for transmission to international satellites was broken. Marcury Communications Ltd. said Thursday.

The outage, from Wednesday night to early Thursday, affected banks and other financial institutions involved in stock market dealings around

the world.

It also hampered service by British Telecom and prevented the national news agency. Press Association, from transmitting reports to its subscribers via satellite. The news agency said it switched to a hackup system.

The break occurred in a cable running 130 kilometers (80 miles) beneath the English Channel between Brighton and Dieppe, in northern France. The cable carries communications traffic to a satellite relay

Mercury said the break occurred about 21 kilometers off Dieppe. Strong winds caused rough seas in the Channel on Wednesday, but it was not immediately clear if the weather was responsible.

Mercury, a unit of Cable & Wireless PLC, said it reconnected its customers to the satellites at early Thursday morning, employing two

other cable links. British Telecom refused to discuss the effect of the outage on services. citing customer confidentiality. Mercury said it did not know when repairs to the Brighton-Dieppe

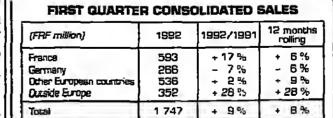
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action in the above-listed matter by filing a Summons and a Complaint against the Defendant to collect a civil money penalty debt pursuant to 18 U.S.C. \$ 1818 (1) (2) (1) (i). The Board of Governors entered a final order of this civil penalty for \$20 million against the Defendant on March 3, 1992. Defendant shall have twenty (20) days, or such other time the Court may allow, after the date of the last publication of this notice to file an answer to the Complaint with the Clerk of the United States District Court at Los

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Blue Chips Rise, Other Issues Slip

NEW YORK — Stocks ended mixed Thursday, with the Dow Jones industrial average setting its third straight record but the broad of stronger-than-expected firstmarket lagging as many investors took profits.

The Dow average gained 12.74 points, to 3,366.50. Gains in such Dow components as Disney, which

N.Y. Stocks

rose 1% to 151%, Alcoa, up 2 to 76% and General Motors, up 2% to 42, fueled the rise.

GM paced the Big Board actives after a published report that some optimistic management projections suggested the No. 1 U.S. automaker could report a slim profit in the first

quarter, after six quarters of losses. Traders said the so-called doublewitching hour, the monthly expiration of stock-index futures and options on the same day, was causing volatility in the market. The contracts expired Thursday, a day earlier than usual because markets will be closed for Good Friday.

Among the broad gauges, the New York Stock Exchange com-posite index fell 1.00 to 228.15, and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index slid 1.87 to 414.41. Michael Metz, chief investment

strategist at Oppenheimer & Co., blamed the downturn in stocks on profit-taking. "We're overdue for some son of correction," he said. "The other indexes baven't caught un with the Dow

Declines topped advances by about a 9-8 margin on the Big

Board. Volume totaled 235 million shares, up from 228.36 million sbares on Wednesday.

Investors, beartened by a stream quarter earnings in recent days, appeared to be disregarding a surge in Treasury bond vields, said Kenneth Ducey, head of international trading at BT Brokerage. U.S. government securities de-

clined on data indicating that the labor market may be bottoming out and that exports rose to February.
Supply worries ahead of the sales of
two-year and five-year notes next
week also weighed on the market. The 30-year bond fell 20/32, to 100 23/32 for a yield of 7.94 percent, up from 7.87 percent late Wednesday.
The Labor Department reported

that new claims for state unem-ployment insurance benefits fell 18,000 for the week ending April 4. to a seasonally adjusted 415,000. Economists had expected a 1,000 drop. The Commerce Department reported that record exports in February narrowed the U.S. trade deficit to \$3.38 billion.

Also Thursday, Federal Reserve Governor John LaWare raised his estimate of U.S. economic growth and predicted the unemployment rate would begin to fall by the end of the year.

Mr. LaWare said he expected first-quarter gross domestic product, due out later this month, to show a 2 percent annual growth rate, up from the I percent rate he predicted a few weeks ago.

(UPI, Bloomberg, Reuters)

TRADE: U.S. Gap at 9-Year Low

(Continued from page 1) Wednesday, and at 133.95 ven, up from 133,44.

It also finished at 1.5445 Swiss francs, up from 1,5325, and at 5.6405 French francs, up from 5.6220. The British pound eased to \$1.7450, from \$1.7550.

Traders said the dollar was likely to continue to be supported by con-

Foreign Exchange

cerns over the United Nations sanctions imposed on Libya and by political tensions in Russia.

But they said that speculation of a further cut in U.S. interest rates because of declining U.S. money supply might blunt the dollar's

We still expect that a further easing is likely soon, bringing M-3 money to around our target of 3.75 percent," said Larry Anderson, analyst at Deutsche Bank Capital Markets in London, referring to the wide measure of the money supply.

In late London trading, the dol-lar stood e! 1.6680 DM, up from 1.6575 on Wednesday. The U.S.

currency also finished at 133.80 Deutsche marks, up from 1.6625 on yen, up from 133.15 yen at the previous close.

> A number of traders said there had been active nuying of both dol-lars and marks for Swiss francs. The pound, meanwhile, maintained the strong form that has seen it rise climb 6 pfennig in the week since the Conservatives won

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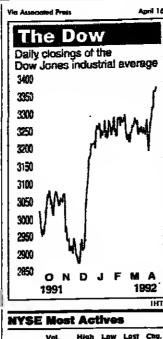
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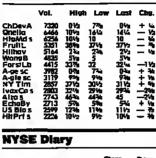
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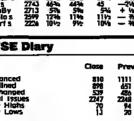
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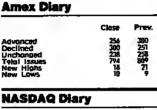
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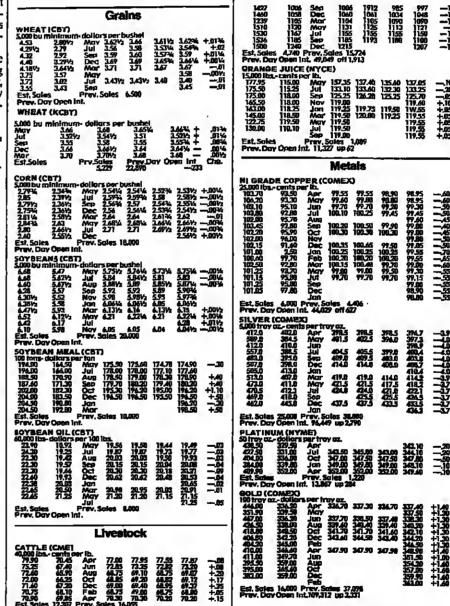
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interested in expanding into Eu-rope through friendly takeovers but "To invest in Hanson, you have

U.S. FUTURES The company's high dividend — \$1.17 an ADR for a yield of about or acquiring new ones. In the United States, the most likely targets are extensions of existing businesses. Hanson is also \$1.17 an ADR for a yield of about 5.6 percent—is especially appealing to U.S. investors, but analysts say the real payoff depends on eco-

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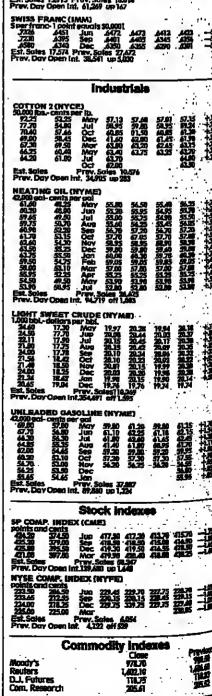
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\$1.1 Billion Gain for Philip Morris

NEW YORK (Combined Dispatches) — Philip Morris Cos. on Thursday reported net income for first quarter of \$1.10 billion, compared with

a net loss of \$1.0 million a year carlier.

The loss for the first quarter of 1991 resulted from a special accounting charge for post-retirement benefits of \$921.0 million. Operating earnings in the year-carlier period were \$920.0 million. N.T. N.T. 99-00 -- 0-16
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First-quarter sales slipped 1.2 percent, to \$14.05 billion. The company attributed the decline to currency translations and lower revenues from its North American food operations.

(AFX, UP)

Bristol-Myers Has 11% Rise in Profit

NEW YORK (Combined Dispatches) - Bristol-Myers Squibb Co

NEW YORK (Combined Dispatches) — Bistor-layers squabb Co. reported Thursday that its first-quarter net income rose 11 percent to \$547.5 million from \$492.6 million a year ago.

But sales edged up to just \$2.8 billion from \$2.7 billion, the company said. "This the worst sales comparison the company has had since Bristol-Myers merged with Squibb in 1989," said James Keeney, an analyst at Mabon Securities.

DALLAS (UPI) — Texas Instruments Inc., after huge losses last year, reported on Thursday a first-quarter profit of \$40 million, resulting from higher royalty income and job cutting that helped offset continuing losses in the semiconductor business. The results included royalty revenue of \$95 million, including a one-time \$30 million from a recent agreement with Rohm Co. In the year-ago period, the company posted a loss of \$54 million.

Texas Instruments Swings to Profit

Dealer Loan Scam on GM Alleged

NEW YORK (AFP) — A Long Island businessman allegedly cheated General Motors Corp. out of \$1 billion in loans by saying he was using the money to finance a business to export vans to the Middle East.

John McNamara, 52, was charged Wednesday with fraud involving loans he obtained from GM's finance unit, General Motors Acceptance Corp. If converted he small from unit of 20 wears in principle.

Corp. If convicted, he could face up to 30 years in prison.

Mr. McNamara, who owns one of the largest Buick-Pontiac outlets in the United States, allegedly told GM he was using the money to buy chassis for vehicles he planned to convert into light vans to be sold in the Middle East luvestigators said the vehicles and the Middle East business were noneity. tent, but Mr. McNamara kept the scam going for more than a decade by taking out new loans when the time came to repay earlier borrowings.

For the Record

Recook International Lad. reported record first-quarter profits of \$623 million up from \$58.4 million for the year-ago period. (UPI)

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On Wednesday, several large U.S. banks reported large profit gains for the first quarter as prob-lems with bad loans eased and they benefited from a widened spread between the interest rates they pay on deposits and the interest rates they collect on loans.

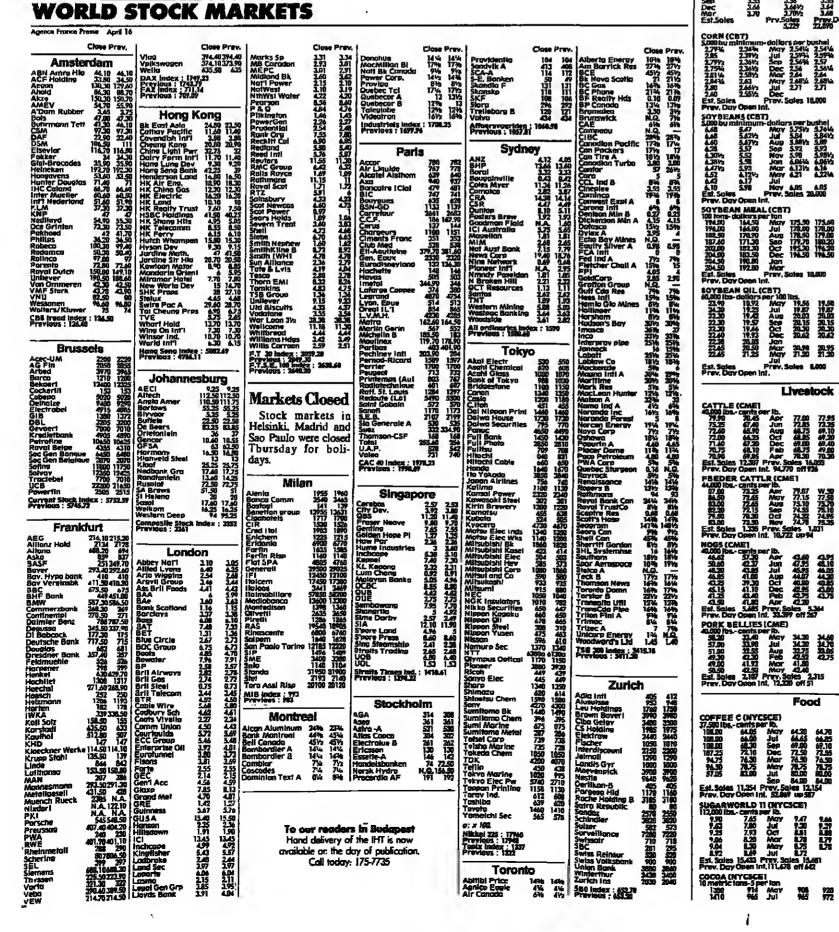
Bank of New York earned \$30 million after posting a \$63 million loss a year earlier, while Norwest Corp. of Minneapolis reported a 29.7 percent gain.
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ark, New Jersey, said profit rose 16.8 percent from the year-earlier In New England, Fleet Financia

Group, formerly known as the Fleet/Norstar Financial Group, earned 97.6 percent more than a year earlier, while Shawmut Na-tional Corp. earned \$43.3 million after recording a loss of \$116.7 million a year earlier. (Reuters, NYT)

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By Peter Maass

hington Past Service HUDAPEST - If Jacques Attali's wishes were nanted, there would be a thousand clones of Microsystem Ltd. across Eastern Europe. Microsystem, a small Hungarian computer com-

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milion from \$2.7 billion the operation the tempany has had since the condition of the condition pany, was the recipient of the first direct equity investment by European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, which Mr. Attali heads. EBRD was established a year ago as a vehicle to provide a son the company has had shorter !!

Said James Roeney, at and !!

(UP), here private enterprise underpinning to the revolution across Eastern Europe.

E profit of \$40 million, reading that heiped offset continuing to included royalty revenue. Microsystem's chamman, Peter Vadasz, decided last year that the company, which sells computer systems, software and accessories, needed an infu-sion of capital to keep pace with foreign compentors and to enter telecommunications. Salomon Brothers inc offered to arrange a private placement of shares centered on a "respected" European investor. Mr. Vadasz'said the European Bank was selected.

Although Salomon had already drawn up an energive prospectors, the European Bank sent its customers and suppliers. They left no financial stone unturned, he said. Meanwhile, two small investment funds said they would buy stakes in Microsystem if the European Bank went on board. When the bank signed up for a 15 percent stake cosing about \$3 million, the others fell in line.

Without the EBRD, I wouldn't say that we

couldn't have sold the shares. But it would have taken more time, more effort and maybe the share prices would have been lower," Mr. Vadasz said. He worries, though, that the European Bank will have a hard time finding other promising companies in Hungary that deserve to be sprinkled with its investment money. "Thousands and thousands of companies like Microsystem are needed - not

only in telecommunications, but in every sector — but I don't see them anywhere," he said. And that is the problem faced by Mr. Attali. With \$13 billion in funding commitments, the European Bank received a broad mandate last year

to breathe capitalist life into the post-Communist world through equity investments, loans, loan guarantees and technical advice. A key goal is to support promising companies that face a hard time attracting funds from risk-averse banks or investors in the West

So far, the bank has committed about \$780 million to 20 projects, including about \$7 million in a Polish food-processing venture to a \$30 million equity investment in the Czechoslovak national airline, CSA

Stephen Frater is chairman of Hungary's Petofi Printing House Ltd., which received a \$6 million loan from the bank. He said he believed the EBRD plays an important role in lifting credible companies like his off the ground, but he admitted, "There is a limited amount of bankable deals out there."

The opportunities are thin in Hungary," he said.

"It gets even thinner the further you move east." Enter General Motors Corp., which last month partially opened a \$310 million auto factory in Szentgotthard, Hungary, one of the largest Western industrial ventures in Eastern Europe. The European Bank has approved a \$78 million loan to GM's

Hungarian unit, though terms are not yet final.

Bank officials said the GM loan was approved because the giant auto firm could not get funding from other sources. But a GM executive politely differed, saying the company had "several oppor-tunities for attracting financing" and "absolutely" could have raised the money from other sources.

Some West European members of the bank's decision-making board initially objected to the loan, largely for political reasons, according to officials involved in the deal. Accounts differ, but some Europeans apparently balked at supporting the American company, and they were worned that special tax breaks granted to GM by the Hungarian

government amounted to unfair trade subsidies. The GM loan seems to illustrate the narrow options open to the European Bank. Its merchantbanking arm is leaning heavily toward a small pool of safe opportunities rather than taking chances.

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For Workers

MOSCOW - The Russian government hopes to put more property into private hands by issuing vouchers that can be exchanged for shares in state-owned businesses, an official said Thursday.

Dmitri Vasiliev, deputy chairman of the State Property Committoe, said that "every citizen can have his own property" under the plan, which will require approval by parliament.

The committee is responsible for converting Russian government-owned businesses and factories to private ownership, a key part of President Boris N. Yeltan's program to create a market economy.

Mr. Vasiliev said as much as 90 percent of the property would be sold for vouchers, leaving only 10 percent to 15 percent on the market for cash. The value of vouchers issued to workers would depend in part on their salaries.

The official said employees would be given the first option to buy shares in their factories and businesses. Workers would be able to own 51 percent of all shares in an enterprise, compared with the current limit of 30 percent.
Managers must submit privariza-

tion plans to workers by September. Mr. Vasiliev said 12,000 enterprises had been sold to private owners so far in Russia for a total of 2 billion rubles (\$20 million). The government also is planning to end a regulation requiring buy-

ers to hold on to former state prop-erty for one year before reselling it.

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Russia Plans Weak European Market Stock Offer Batters Peugeot Profit **Batters Peugeot Profit**

Compiled by Our Staff From Disputches PARIS - Peugeot SA said Thursday, to 713 francs. Thursday that net profit plunged
40 percent in 1991, to the lowest man, said car sales rose during the

dend for the first time since 1986. Peugeot said a gloomy European car market and rising expenses results for 1991, although I say sucsqueezed earnings in 1991, reducing net attributable profit to 5.53 billion French francs (\$984 million) from 9.26 billion francs. Net sales confirmed the success of two

francs and resumed paying a dividend after a long period of losses. But the company, which makes Prugeot and Citroen cars, said two percent, to 2.06 million units. new models helped it regain its footing in the second half of 1991 and predicted that sales would re-

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Caterpillar's threat to replace its

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But even \$800 million could not

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nently put out of work, and the

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Jacques Calvet, the Peugot chairlevel in five years, and the French second half of last year after a 12 carmaker said it would trim its divipercent drop in the first quarter and an unchanged second quarter. "We've been successful with these cessful without tremendous enthusiasm," be said.

Mr. Calvet said the late rise in profit was the lowest since 1986, new models, the Citroën ZX luxury when Peugeot earned 3.59 billion model and the Peugeot 106.

Revenue rose slightly, 10 160.17 billioo francs from 159.98 billioo francs, but sales volume fell 6.2

Car sales fell sharply in Peugeot's three main markets, France, Britain and Spain, and the compacover smartly this year despite a ny failed to catch the wave of demand unleashed when Germany Pengeot also said it was trim-ming its dividend for 1991 to 13 slipped to 12.1 percent in 1991 slipped to 12.1 percent in 1991

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But Mr. Calvet said net profit as While the earnings were in line 2 share of sales, at 3.5 percent, was with analysts' expectations, news higher than that of any other carof the dividend action hurt Peugeot maker that has announced 1991 (Reuters, Bloomberg)

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Investor's Europe

Very briefly:

Czechoslovakia signed trade agreements for 1992 with Estonia and Latvia on Thursday, and expects to sign one with Lithuania on Friday, said the Czechoslovak news agency CSTK, civing an official forecast of S36 million in trade with the three Baltic countries this year.

pany had used the weapon reluc-tantly. "We were backed into a Czechoslovakia's parliament approved a 23 percent value added tax, effective on Jan. 1, 1993, on many goods and services, as well as a 5 percent tax oo foodstuffs and other basic goods. corner," be said. "They had us con-

BAT Industries PLC said it would post a second-quarter pretax gain of £75 million (\$131 million) on the sale of its Australian Eagle Star sorted to permanent replacement Insurance Co. to Land Lease Group of Australia for £130 million.

. Banque Indosuez has established a U.S.-hased investment and merchant hire permanent replacements until banking arm, Indosuez Capital.

> Renters Holdings PLC plans to launch the second phase of its Dealing 2000 computerized foreign-exchange trading system on April 29, adding automatic matching for U.S. dollar-Deutsche mark, dollar-pound and do Dar-ven trading.

. Wolters Klawer NV, the Dutch publisher, posted a 1991 net profit of 214 million guilders (\$114.8 million), up 24 percent from the year before. and said it was looking for medium-sized acquisitions.

* Nederlanden Groep NV, the Dutch banking and insurance company. reported a 4.2 percent rise in 1991 oet profit, to 1.57 billion guilders.

Hoesch-Krupp Merger Clears Hurdle

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches BERLIN - Germany's federal antitrust agency said Thursday it bad approved the merger of the steelmakers Fried. Krupp GmbH and Hoesch

AG, after Krupp agreed to sell its car-suspension business.

It said that without the sale, there could have been domination in the market for spring absorbers, laminated absorbers and car stabilizers. strike will give a boost to legisla-

Investigations found there was oo dominant position in other areas," said the agency, the Bundeskartellamt, But it ooted that European Community authorities were examining the planned merger, scheduled to take place in July, for any market domination in steel sector. (AFP, Reuters)

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The Golf Indicator: Japan Is Teeing Up

By Jathon Sapsford Bloomberg Business News

TOKYO - After a two-year crash in Japaness stock and land prices, analysts are peering through the settling dust for signs of economic health. One unlikely place they are finding a glimmer of light is in golf chib membership prices, which many economists consider to be a revealing, if informal, economic indicator.

In an overpopulated country where housing ownership is an impossible dream for most citizens, golf club membership price a compress in exacted as a sign of consum-most criticals from case, memorately bare tracked in the United States.

Today, memberahip prices are being espe-cially watched since they, almost alone annid a steady diet of grim economic news, are emning to tell a more upbeat story about the Japanese economy.

After falling to half of their 1989 peak, membership brokers say bargain hunters are beginning to snap up golf memberships, espe-cially in low-priced clubs.

This sort of indicator shows that while

having consumption is declining in Japan, besic consumption is doing rather well," said Jesper Koll, economist for S. G. Warburg

Securities.
Explaining how golf club memberships that currently cost an average 9 million year (\$67,900) could qualify as "basic consumption" requires a return to the housing-start

In terms of individual investor psychology.

there is a close analogy between buying a house in the United States and buying a golf

club membership in Japan.
Buying a chunk of the good life on the golf course, for the harried Tokyo or Osaka urbanite, is now much like buying a house in the suburbs was for Americans in the 1950s. Akihiro Nagumo, a Tokyo schoolteacher who lives with his wife in his parents' home, is typical of the newly affinent Japanese who

Golf club memberships, almost alone amid a steady diet of grim news, are beginning to tell an upbeat story about the

see golf courses as their chance to grab the den ring of a Western lifestyle. After spending months shopping around for the best golf club membership deal that he could find, Mr. Nagumo recently settled on one for about 6.7 million year, more than his yearly income, at a course in Ibaraki Prefection ture, a two-hour drive from his Tokyo home. Mr. Nagumo took out a bank loan to pay for the membership. Even as a member he

will have to make reservations three months ahead to play, and pay a fee.

Still, he is thrilled with the deal.

"Being a golf club member has been a dream that I've had all my life," he said. "At this point, golf is my only amusement."

The intimate relationship between golf and the Japanese financial, corporate and political worlds became fully evident during the creation, and ultimately the explosion, of the

"bubble economy" of the late 1980s.

During that period, low interest rates made money cheap, and real estate developers, using golf course land as collateral, borrowed to raise money for stock investments. Money flowed like water, bringing with it quick buck artists, some of whom oversold club member-

ships to raise capital. There were many cases of fraud during the bubble years," said Isamu Akao, a Tokyo-based golf club membership broker.

In 1989, the Bank of Japan began raising interest rates to burst the speculative bubble, and the house of cards — the price of stocks. real estate and golf club memberships came tumbling down.

It was the deflation of golf club membership prices that has made them such a useful economic indicator today. At the height of the bubble economy, the average golf club membership price was 18 million yen aithough memberships costing more than 200

million yen were not uncommon. Today, the average traded membership price of 9 million yen is well into the range of affordability for many middle class Japanese. Golf club membership brokers report that ordinary citizens are now stepping in to buy

Taiwan-McDonnell Tie Faces Funding Hurdle

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

TAIPEI - The new chairman of Thursday the company might not be investment in McDonnell Douglas. able to raise enough money to pro-ceed with the acquisition of 40 per-cent of McDonnell Douglas Corp.'s commercial aircraft business.

The chairman, Earl J.S. Ho, replaced David Huang, who resigned in the midst of a debate within the Taiwan government over whether to proceed with the deal, which is to be partly financed by the government.

Mr. Huang was one of the architects of the proposed transaction. His departure and Mr. Ho's remark raised new questions about whether it will be completed as planned.

Taiwan Aerospace had planned to spend \$2 billion to acquire the McDonnell Douglas stake, but Mr. Ho said the company might purchase a smaller interest.

A spokesman for McDonnell Douglas said Thursday that his company was not concerned about Mr. Huang's resignation. But execu-

tives of Taiwan Aerospace have said over the last several months that Taiwan Aerospace Corp. said they might scale back their planned

The future of the project, and its funding, now depends largely on the findings of the independent evaluation committee commissioned by the government, Mr. Ho said. The government owns 29 percent of Taiwan Acrospace.

Industry executives said the committee had completed its evaluation and that it was generally positive. The findings are expected to be presented to the legislature next we

Industry executives said Mr. Huang told them he was unhappy because of political attacks on hi in Taiwan for his role in the Mo-Donnell deal and in helping Taiwan develop its own fighter plane. But local press reports said he was forced out for stating the govern-ment would subsidize Taiwan Aerospace until it became profitable. The statement provided ammunition for U.S. critics of the transaction.

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Beijing Fears Rising Prices

BELIING — Inflation is again threatening China's fast-growing economy less than a month after Beijing abandoned a three-year austerity campaign, the government said Thursday, reporting first-quarter statistics.

"We should call our attention against overheating of the economy," said Zhang Zhonghi, a spokesman for the State Statistical Bureau.

Industrial output from January to March rose 18.2 percent over the like period in 1991 and 20.1 percent in March alone compared with March 1991.

Mr. Zhang said inflationary pressures were especially severe in China's 35 largest cities, where the cost of living rose at a 10.9 percent rate in the quarter. Only by controlling the economy "can we handle the relation between reform, development and stability," he said, "to prevent against the type of situation we saw in 1988."

The recently ended ansterity drive aimed, with some success, to curb inflation of up to 20 percent. Mr. Zhang took pains to say the current situation differed from that in 1988, when "there was panic buying of all types of commodities, total demand was far larger than total supply" and prices were up 18.5 percent." Now, he said, supply meets 90 percent of

tion after preliminary evaluation of bidders for a \$100 million project to launch South Korean satellites, officials said Thursday.

The state-owned Korea Telecom said McDonnell Donglas Corp. and General Dynamics Corp. of the United States and Arianespace of France had passed the evaluation, while Glavcosmos of the Commonwealth of Independent States had failed.

The winner will be selected by mid-May, a company spokesman said. Korea Telecom is to be the main user of two communications satellites

Very briefly:

Investor's Asia

Hong Kong stocks surged Thursday, pushing the Hang Seng index up 96.58 points, to a record 5,082.69.

w Japanese money supply grew at an annual rate of 1.8 percent in March, up from a record low of 1.6 percent in February, the Bank of Japan said; it was the first increase in four months.

 Taiwan's foreign exchange reserves rose to a record \$83.22 billion at the end of February, the central bank said, citing increased capital inflows and a widening trade surplus.

Bank of Tokyo said its entire exposure to lesser-developed-country debt was effectively covered because of a decline in loan exposure, increased reserves and the effects of market prices and taxes, and it said it would raise its dividend.

Jakarta Exchange Is Privatized

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches JAKARTA — The Jakarta stock exchange, which has lost 60 percent of its value since 1990 and been marred by financial scandals

mvolving listed companies, was turned over to private management Thursday in a bid to restore confidence. Management of the exchange went from Sukanto Reksohadiprodjo, chairman of the government's Capital Market Executive Agency, to Hasan Zein Mahmud, director of Bursa Efek Jakarta PT.

The government agency's role will be limited to controlling and supervising development of the exchange, although Mr. Mahmud said that the agency would have the "final say."

(AP, AFP)

Vietnam and Singapore Bolster Shipping Ties

economy.

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SINGAPORE — Vietnam signed a pact on Thursday with Singapore, is largest trading partner, allowing shippers from each country to participate in the other's inland truck-

ing business. Le Kha, Vietnam's vice minister for transport, said direct sea-borne trade between the two countries could double in a year under the pact. The current level is estimated at more than three million metric tons a year, about two million of which is forwarded to other desti-

nations from Singapore.

Victiam has similar agreements with France, Thailand, Malaysia

Mr. Kha also said the Port of

Malaysian Leader to Visit Vietnam

Agence France-Presse

KUALA LUMPUR - Prime Minister Mahathir bin Mohamad is to lead a delegation of top business people on a six-day visit to Vietnam on Sunday, sources said Thursday, in the first such trip by a Malaysian leader since Hanoi embarked on major economic reforms. The visit has yet to be officially announced.

Among the first Malaysian companies to operate in Vietnam is Public Bank, Malaysia's third-largest commercial bank, which this year entered into a \$10 million joint venture to form VID Public Bank in Ho Chi Minh City. Petronas, the national oil company, has obtained two offshore concessions to explore for oil and gas.

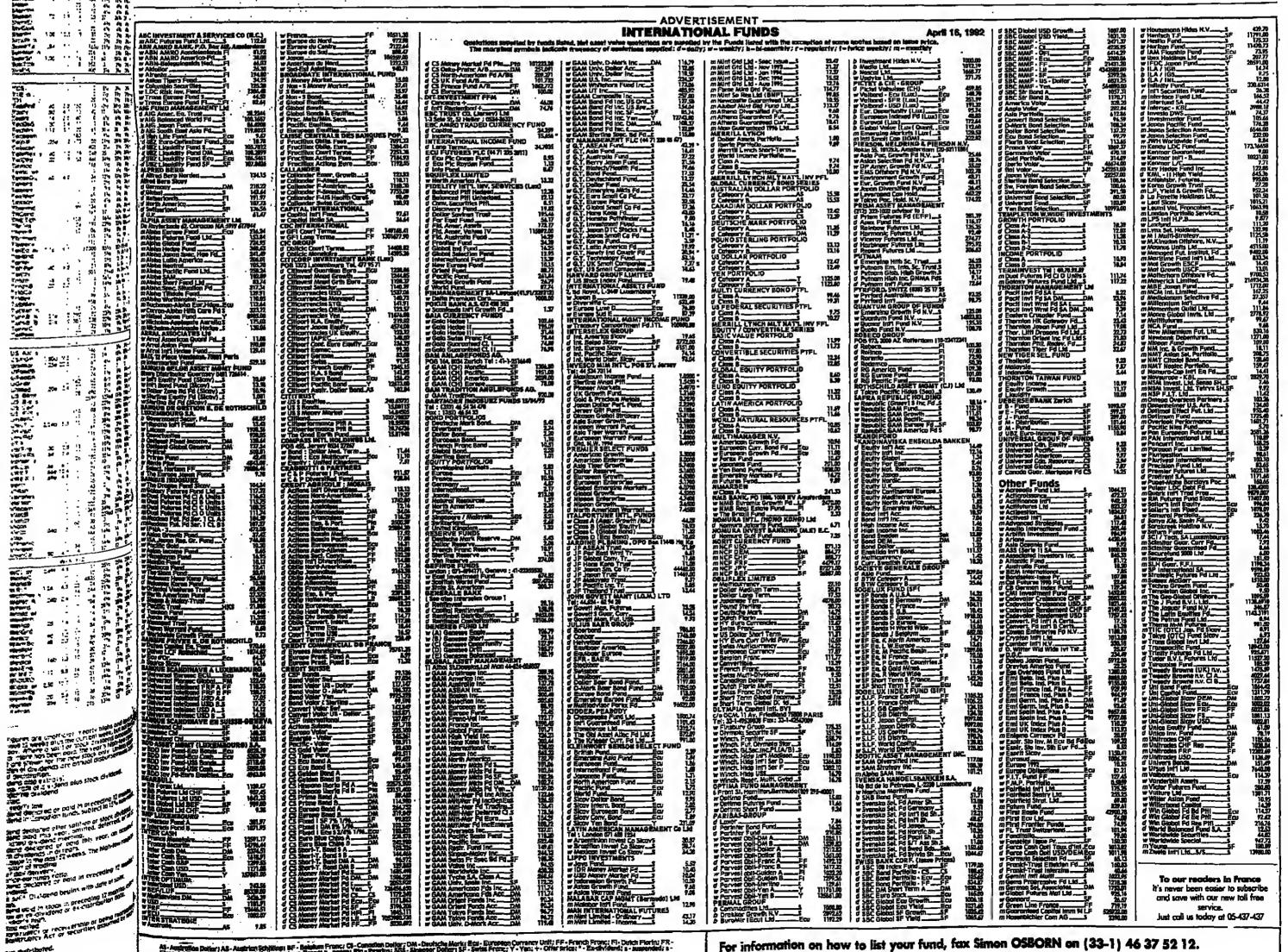
facilities and management expertise. Japan, but according to Singapore Vietnamese officials said that figures, bilateral trade reached 1.5 Singapore last year overtook Japan billion Singapore dollars (\$906.9 Sugapore Authority agreed to help as Hanoi's largest trading partner. million) in 1991, up from 1.3 billion. Vietnam develop and improve port. They did not have any figures for dollars in 1990.

In Ho Chi Minh City, Le Quang Huyen, an official in the Energy Ministry, said a nationwide electricity grid designed to case southem Vietnam's serious power shortages would be built with foreign

The World Bank estimated the 1,500-kilometer (930-mile) line, which is to run through jungle and mountains, would cost \$560 million, Mr. Huyen said, above the \$300 million projected by the govcriment, Because of a U.S. embargo, Vietnam is unable to get World Bank and other multilateral financ-

Meanwhile, direct telephone calls between the United States and Vietnam will become possible "in a matter of days,"

(Reuters, AFP)



SPORTS SOCCER CUP

Europe's 3 Soccer Showdowns To Feature All-New Matchups

LONDON - A new name will be inscribed on each of Europe's three soccer cups next month, with Barcelona and Sampdoria vying to become European champions for the first time.

None of the six teams that reached the finals on Wednesday bave woo their respective trophy, and all will be aiming to upstage more celebrated rivals back home. Barcelooa, dueling with Real

Madrid to become the Spanish champioo again, seeks to take the European Cup that Real, a six-time winner, has been chasing since its last triumph in 1966.

A victory by Sampdoria would especially irritate the runaway Ital-ian league leader AC Milan, the European champion in 1989 and 1990 but banned from competing

The final will be held at Wembley, England, on May 20.

Barcelooa and Sampdoria, the favorites to reach the final from this season's new semifinal league format, set up a sbowdown betweeo two teams that between them have reached the Cup Win-oers' Cup final in each of the last

The final, Sampdoria's third in the past four seasons, will also be a chance for it to avenge the 1989 Cup Winners Cup final defeat by Barcelooa, which lost in turn to Manchester United last season.

Both groups of the semifinals went down to the last game, with Barcelona needing to beat Benfica and Sampdoria requiring at least a point at bome against Panathinai-

Barcelona won, 2-1, with all three goals coming in the first 27 minutes. But it will be missing mid-fielder Guillermo Amor for the final after a second yellow-card of-

Sampdoria scraped by with a 1-1 draw against the Greeks, who failed to win any of their six games, but led after 26 minutes. The Italians evened the score through their top striker, Roberto Mancini, 10 minutes later, but would still have qualified had they lost as their nearest rival, the defending cham-pion, Red Star Belgrade, lost, 3-2,

Maradona Defies FIFA

BUENOS AIRES - In apparent defiance of his worldwide suspension for failing a cocaine test taken after an Italian League soccer match last year, Diego Maradona played a friendly match to raise funds for charity.

Maradona said the authorities of FIFA, the world soccer federauo: who tried to enforce his suspension were "inhuman robots." He added, "Nobody in Argentina will cry for João Havelange when he dies," referring to the FIFA president.

The 31-year-old player, who carried Argentina to the finals of the 1990 World Cup, technically is barred from playing even a friendly match with professionals.

In Zurich. FIFA said Thursday that it would investigate whether to impose sanctions. Punishmeot of the other players who took part in the game Wednesday in Buenos Aires is a possibility, said a spokesman, Guido Tognoni. This could include suspensions. The Argentine soccer federation will be asked for an explanation,

Tognoni added. saying FIFA bad warned the federation against letting Maradona play. It replied Tuesday, one day before the game, that Maradooa had confirmed be wouldn't. The game raised money for the widow and son of Juan Gilberto Funes, a pro soccer player who died after heart surgery at 29. Maradona, who had two goals as his Blue team beat the Whites, 5-2, said that in defying the sanctions, the players "showed that they

Cup, Monaco drew 2-2 against Feyenoord in Rotterdam and secured its place in the final on away

are mature people.

goals after a 1-1 first-leg draw. Monaco will meet Werder Bremen of Germany, with both teams reaching a final for the first time and Monaco aiming to become the first team from the French league

to win a European tropby.

Werder overturned a 1-0 deficit to Brugge, Manfred Bockenfeld scoring the winner in a 2-0 victory

The Germans will have to contest the final in Lisbon on May 6 without goalkeeper Obver Reck, who was booked in the second half, his second yellow card of the com-

the UEFA Cup against Torino, which defeated Real Madrid, 2-0, for a 3-2 aggregate victory. The two-leg final is on April 29 and

Ajax was held, 1-1, at home by Genoa but won, 4-3, on aggregate. Torino ensured a continuation of I Anderlecht. Italy's string of finalists for four straight UEFA Cups.

■ French Soccer Inquiry

The French justice minister has ordered nine professional soccer clubs, including the champion Olympique Marseille, investigated for suspected financial wrongdoing, The Associated Press reported

Marseille's president, Bernard Tapie, is the flamboyant businessman who was named urban affairs minister in the Socialist government's new cabinet April 2.

Along with Marseille, which won

France's first division last season and leads again this season, the targets of the inquiry include the first-division clubs Cannes, Toulouse, Montpellier, Nantes, Lille Ajax Amsterdam set up a final in and Paris-St. Germain; Nice of the second division, and Racing Club of Paris in the third division,

> French soccer has been tainted by numerous financial scandals in recent years. Two clubs, Toulon and Brest Armorique, have been liquidated because of mismanage ment, and the former president of Bordeaux, Claude Bez, was jailed a week ago for alleged fraud.



Hristo Stoichkov of Barcelona challenging Benfica defender Autonio Veloso for the ball in their European Champions' Cup semifinal.

Rugby Decides to Speed Up the Game

WELLINGTON - Rugby union administrators announced major rule changes Thurs-day to try to create a faster and more entertaining game, including increasing the value of a try to 5 points.

Announcing the changes, the International Rugby Football Board said changes to lineouts, penalties and scrummages should "reduce practices that cause irritating stoppages rather than speed up the game."

The change will take effect at the start of the next season in the Northern and Southern Hemispheres, except in those countries that decide to introduce them earlier. New Zealand, Australia and South Africa plan to introduce

This is only the sixth time rugby rules have undergone a major review since they were first written in the 1890s, and the fourth time since World War IL

Increasing the try to 5 points, from 4, should restore a scoring balance in relation to the

kicked penalty goal and dropped goal, whose values stay at 3 points, said Roger Vanderfield, who led board meeting in Wellington this week. The value of a conversion remains 2 points, giving 7 points for a converted try.

The other point-scoring change is the dropped goal from a free kick. This is effectively eliminated by a rule that says such goals cannot be scored until after the ball is dead.

In the scrum, hookers may now raise their foot to heel the ball back as soon as it leaves the scrum half's hands, Deliberately lifting an op-posing front-row forward off the ground will now be illegal, Mr. Vanderfield said.

Also declared out of bounds by the board was the feinting action of a scrum half who pretends to take the ball from a scrum and pass it to trap his opponents offside.

Catching the ball and running behind the 22neter line to kick it into touch loses much of its appeal after the rule changes, which decree that the kicker is not allowed to gain ground from

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To speed the game up, a player may now take a quick kick without having to wait for players on his own side to retire behind the ball, providing those players do not interfere with play.

Line outs will become more exciting, with players being allowed to throw in quickly from anywhere along the touchline nearer to the defending team's goal line, provided the player uses the same ball and retrieves it himself.

Also discouraged is the practice of kicking the ball directly past the opposing team's goal line from a restart. Such tactics will now result in the defending team being awarded put-in at a scrum on the halfway line.

Kickoffs after scoring will all be drop kicks when the rules are implemented.

The board also introduced experimental rule changes, which will be reviewed at its meeting next year. These include expanding the gap between opposing players in line-outs to one meter from the present 50 centimeters to stamp out foul play.

Top Men In Tennis Entered In France

PARIS - The two-time finalis Andre Agassi risks being not seed ed for the French Open, which this year could boast a men's field of mprecedented strength.

Only one player from the top 100 failed to sign up for the men's bracket as the entries were announced Wednesday by the French Tennis Federation. The tourns. ment starts May 25.

South African Christo Van Rensburg, ranked 68th, is not among the top 104 players admitted directly into the 128 player. field. The rest of the spots will be filled by wild cards and qualifiers Agassi, who lost to Andres Go mez in the 1990 final and Jim Conrier last year, is No. 17 in the rank, ings. If he doesn't advance before

the day of the draw, and if no one above him drops out, he will be unseeded and face the possibility of meeting a top seed in an early On the women's side, Martine

Navratilova, Zina Garrison and Helena Sukova are among the top players not entered, preferring to concentrate on faster surfaces than the slow, red clay of Roland Gar-ros. There are 112 women admitted into the draw with 16 qualifiers and Monica Seles is the two time de-

fending champion and is carrently rated No. 1 in the world.

Erratic play and a string of early round losses, have left the soon tobe 22-year-old Agassi firing blanks and searching for answers.

Two Davis Cup victories in Jan-uary over Argentina scened to send Agassi in the right direction; but a first-round loss four days later in Milan to Switzerland's lakoh Hlasek began the slide that has left Agassi, once a member of the top 10, sliding.
In fact, aside from his Davis Cup

victories with the United States victories in tour events have been hard to come by.

Agassi has now set his sights on Roland Garros stadium and the French Open, a place where he has shone in the past. (AP, AFP)

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BOOKS

SIR JOHN TENNIEL: Alice's White Knight

By Rodney Engen. 232 pages. \$75. Scolar Press, Old Post Road, Brookfield, Vermont 05036.

Michael Patrick Hearn

AD it not been for John Tenniel's remarkable wood engravings for "Alice's Adventures in Wooderland," the first children's book by an obscure Oxford don might have been largely overlooked when it first appeared in 1864. After all, Tenniel was England's leading political cartoonist when he illustrated the strange little story about a child who fell down a rabbit hole.

At the time his only peer as a carica-turist was the American Thomas Nast, who himself had learned much from studying Tenniel's designs in Punch. Tenniel was so admired that he was knighted by Queen Victoria in 1893, a rare distinction for an artist who worked primarily in black and white. Yet while almost every detail of the uneventful life of his collaborator "Lewis Carroll," the Reverend Charles Lutwidge Dodgson, has been debated for years, little has been said about the the illustrator.

Rodney Engen, the biographer of Kate Greenaway, Laurence Housman and Richard Doyle, has written the first fulllength study of the other creator of Won-

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derland. This book describes a dependable, diligent artist untouched by any scandal or controversy of any kind. He was not even responsible for the subjects of his famous Punch cartoons. "As for political opinions," be confessed, "I have none; at least, if I have my own little politics, I keep them to myself, and pro-

less only those of my paper." boxing master, John Junior began exhib-iting his oil paintings by age 16. He was never much of a painter (perhaps due to the loss of sight in one eye during a fencing match with his father when he was only 20); and, despite other aspira-tions as an artist, Tenniel drifted into illustration to support himself. His first important book commission was a new version of Aesop's Fables (1848), not so much for the somewhat negligible pictures but because they came to the atten-tion of Mark Lemon, Punch's editor.

Lemon was desperate. One of Punch's chief cartoonists, Richard Doyle, had just quit in disgust over the paper's antipapist policy. Tenniel's first design for Punch appeared in 1850, and be continued until retirement in 1901, appropriately the year of Queen Victoria's death.

His earliest designs were in Doyle's light-bearted manner, but swiftly Tenmel developed his own severe classical style. It is a shame Engen is oot more generous in reproducing from Punch. Tennicl's low point came with his scathing attacks on Abraham Lincoln, when England supported the South in the Civil War. Some of the cartoons are repro-

THINK THEY'LL GET THROUGH IT THIS TIME?

duced here, but the illustrations are no By Alan Truscott bigger than postage stamps.
But the center of Engen's book lies in

the tempestuous collaboration between Tenniel and "the conceited old Don." Carroll's fastidious demands drove Tenniel mad, but the author thought himself completely justified, for be was paying for the pictures as well as to have the harried was he over working with Carroll clear that South held no more clubs: East on "Alice in Wonderland," Tenniel at had raised the suit and played the three woodblocks engraved and printed. So first refused to take on the sequel; only after much pleading did he agree, but he resolotely refused to do any more book illustrations after "Through the Looking-Glass" (1872). Still Tenniel could be key, and Pender shifted boldly to the as demanding as Carroll: When the artist spade jack. He knew that he might be objected to the quality of the first print-ing of Alice in Wonderland, the author dutifully had it suppressed at his own from the interest of stopping a ruff. considerable expense.

Perhaps the trouble lay in Tenniel's inability to see through Carroll's eyes; years later Carroll said that he liked only one of Tenniel's pictures, one of Humpty Dumpty. The Alice books were a twofold miracle: as a perfect match of author and ty of 300. illustrator, and because they were done at all. Many thanks are due Engen for bringing hack into four four forms. In the replay the defense to the same contract was less inspired, and South bringing back into focus the other face in collected nine tricks.

Alice's looking-glass.

Michael Patrick Hearn, who is working on an illustrated critical guide to children's literature and a biography of L. Frank Baum, the author of "The Wizard of Oz," wrote this for The Washington Post.

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O N the diagramed deal from the 1983 Master Mixed Teams in New Orleans, Louisiana, the late Peter Pender, who became a world champion in 1985, held the West cards and defended skillfully against four spades doubled after a competitive auction.

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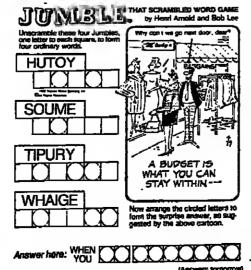




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But Someday They'll Lose By Ian Thomsen down Herald Tribune ISTANBUL - David Stern PARIS — The two-time had a side is not going to worry. He was smiling. He is not going to be account to the smiling of th Only one player from the last bergelate in the collection and naturated Wirdhanday by the fig.

mervois, he said, became why should he be? Of course they might lose. Is that going to destroy the business? The answer is no Absolutely not.

Yet you know, when he is alting amid the cramped andience this summer, watching his team warming up against the ofher team, that every wisp of logic is going to suddenly abendon him, and he is going to hear his chest themping like a 12-year-old kid contoring around to ask the girl in the deak behind him for a date. He is the commissioner of the National Basketball Association, National Basketball Association, national reasestonic Association, and in the Olympics, for the first time, he is putting his Michael forders and Magic Johnsons up against the rest of the world.

The risk is no more likely and no less real than the United States bearing the Soviets in hockey, or Villanova bearing Georgetown. Until the United States is able to build a large lead, it is going to be like the dream where he walks through his neighborhood with-

out any clothes.

"The U.S. Olympic basketball team will eventually lose," Stern res. There are 112 women adms said Hopefully, not anytime soon, Remember, the Lakers almost lost to Joventut Badalona in the McDonald's Open last year, and the Knicks had to go into overtime to beat Scavolini two years ago. There are going to be some interesting games. The Olympic opponents that our teams will ultimately be playing against will likely be NBA

Here he pointed out the numerous foreigners currently playing in the NBA — Vlade Divac, Drazen Petrovic, Rik Smits, Detlef Schrempf, on and on — eligible to represent their nations in the Olympics.
"Ultimately the NBA will be the place where other countries' stars hone their skills before they return home to represent their countries in international competition," Stern said, "There are 190 countries that want to emulate

NBA players and their skills." For the short term, then, the NBA stars are being asked to blow away the world so that international dominance may be estored upon U.S. basketball. they will become vulnerable to the occasional upset, and that will be good for business.

What, David Stern Worry?

Not long ago, the NBA's in-come was based solely upon network television ratings and game attendance. Though the NBA is the only professional U.S. league experiencing annual growth in its TV ratings, Stern anticipates those numbers will soon be flattening out. He does not appear concerned. The league has gone into the business of marketing itself globally, opening offices in Melbourne, Hong Kong and

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David Stern, NBA commissioner

Barcelona. Not only has Stern's appearance here this week lent credibility to the European Final Four, it also has magnified the NBA's ambition to license its products and televise its games

NBA players will compete internationally only once a year, in the McDonald's Open, the Olympics or the World Championships, but they don't need to travel all over the world in order to encourage new business.
"We see basketball as sort of a

pyramid, and sitting atop that pyramid are going to be the NBA players." Stern said, "I think that the Olympic baskethall final in Barcelona will be the most-watched baskethall game in history. It's going to heighten the awareness of NBA players, our ne, and the desires of federations around the world to emplate our game. It's also going to be good for building a larger fan base on a larger basis."

It is generally agreed that the NBA would not be enjoying such strength if not for the ascension. of Johnson and Larry Bird in 1979, whose rivalry established a high standard of play, wiping clean the NBA's stigma of selfish

players known for coasting through the regular season. Now that Johnson has retired from the NBA, and Bird seems on the verge of joining him, can the remaining core be expected to sustain its level of effort? For without it, the NBA's globalization will crumble at the foundation.

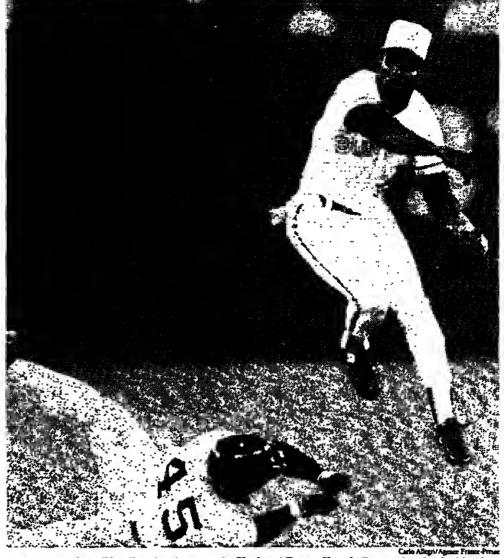
"I think the performance ethic has taken hold," Stern said. "When you watch Karl Malone, Kevin Johnson, Scottie Pippen, Patrick Ewing, Clyde Drexler, Isiah Thomas, Dennis Rodman - there isn't any doubt the performance ethic is there every night. Larry and Magic can be credited with setting a very spe-cial standard, and I have no doubt that standard will continne to be attained." Johnson's retirement has cre-

ated deeper questions among NBA players who question the safety of playing a contact sport against opponents who might be infected with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, or with AIDS itself. New rules demand that a player suffering an open wound must leave the game, and trainers must wear rubber gloves while treating them. But the NBA will not respond to the call by some players for mandatory AIDS testing, said Stern.

"Our preliminary view, shared by every other sports organization, is that there is no need for such a policy," Stern said.
"Should the NBA adopt a policy banning any player with the HIV virus? Is that what you're asking me? I don't think you and I should suggest starting a mass-testing policy, because what would you do with the result?"

Though Johnson soothed such fears with his Most Valuable Player performance at the NBA All-Star game in February, the issue will resurface this summer when he leads the United States into the Olympics. By then Stern no doubt will have worries of his own, though he refuses to admit to them. Of course the Americans are going to win big. But there's always the chance. . . .

"If we lose, all it will mean for us is wounds to lick and harder work to be done," Stern said. "One of the good things about it, which I never get to do anymore, I'm going to be able to watch a game and root for my team. And don't think anybody is going to



Manny Lee of the Blue Jays leaping over the Yankees' Danny Tartabull to go for the double play.

Gooden, Regaining Form, Leads Mets Past Phillies, 7-2

Dwight Gooden and the New York Mets are starting to feel a little better about themselves.

After losing four straight games at home, the Mets made it two in a Daultoo's double with one out in row at Shea Stadium on Wednesday night with a 7-2 victory over

the Philadelphia Phillies. Gooden, whose season was cut short last year by shoulder surgery, lost his first start of the year last

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week despite allowing only three hits in 6% innings against Montre-al. On Wednesday he again pitched into the seventh inning, and left after 107 nitches.

"Each time. I feel better about myself," Gooden said after limiting Philadelphia to four hits and two runs. "I don't expect anything to set me back."

Gooden acknowledged that he tried to throw only about five pitches as hard as he could, and oot all of those fastballs crackled as much as he wanted on a cold night. "Sometimes you reach for a little

extra and it's there, sometimes it's oot," he said. Eddie Murray hi 2 two-run double with two outs in the first inning. Dave Gallagher followed with an

"Each time out, he gets a little better," said the Mets' manager, Jeff Torborg, "He changed speeds nicely and had a good fastball." Reds 3, Braves 1: Chris Hammond scattered four hits in eight

the fourth.

two-run homer, giving the Mets a 5-0 lead against Kyle Ahbott.

The Phillies, meanwhile, did not

get a hit off Gooden, or hit the ball out of the infield, until Darren

innings as Cincinnati sweet a threegame series from Atlanta at home for the first time since 1978. Bip Roberts singled twice, drove in two runs and scored the other off Charlie Leibrandt

Hammood lasted eight innings for the first time in 20 major league

Astros 5, Dodgers 4: lo Houston, rookie Scott Servais singled home the tie-breaking run in the sixth as the Astros took two of three games in the series with Los Angeles. With the score 4-4, Ken Caminiti led off the sixth with a walk off starter Boh Ojeda. Casey Candaele sacrificed Caminiti to second and Servais followed with a bloop single to right.

The Dodgers took a 3-0 lead in the first inning off winner Mark Portugal on Eric Davis's two-ruo single and Dave Hansen's RBI sin-RBI single and Daryl Boston hit a

Cardinals 4, Expos 2: Boh Tewksbury pitched six solid in-nings and St. Louis scored four unearned runs in Mootreal for the victory. Ken Hill, a former Cardinal, was the loser, Gerald Perry pinch hit for Tewkshury in the seventh and delivered a sacrifice fly for the go-ahead run, snapping a I-

Pirates 7, Cabs 2: In Pittshurgh pinch-hitters Cecil Espy and Lloyd McClendon, a combined 12 for 15 this season, drove to three runs in the sixth to help the Pirates beat Chicago. The Pirates have won six of their eight games this season, and have won 16 of the last 18 games against the Cubs at Three

Padres 5, Giants 3: In San Francisco, Kevin Ward slammed a pinch-hit, two-run homer in the eighth off Bryan Hickerson as San Diego won its fifth straight game. Craig Lefferts, a converted reliever, won for the first time since Aug. 26, 1991, by allowing three runs and

Royals Come Up Shy to Bash-Full A's

The bashing Oakland Athletics —a team you never had a big enough lead against while they were winning three straight American League pennants - are back at it.

Down 6-1 on Wednesday night, the A's rupted for four runs in the fifth on homers by Rickey Henderson and Jose Canseco, then took the lead with a three-run seventh capped by Scott Brosius's two-run single and went on to defeat the Royals, 10-6, in Kanses City, Mis-

After Henderson's three-run homer, Canseco followed with a huge solo shot that shaved the Royals' lead to 6-5. Canseco was 4-for-5 for the

Jeff Parrett got the victory with 2% innings in relief. The loser was Mike Magnante, who surrendered a game-tying RBI single to Willie Wilson before Brosins's two-run single.

Vince Horsman pitched 2% innings of twohit relief for his first major league save. Wally Joyner had four hits and Brian McRae

had a single, double and triple for Kansas City,

off to its worst start at 1-8,
Brewers 7, Twins 4: The Twins rallied for three runs in the ninth to tie it, 4-4, in Minneapolis. Then Milwaukee got three in the top of the 10th to win it. B. J. Surhoff's one-out single scored two runs. Scott Fletcher singled to start

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the 10th, pitcher Carl Willis bobbled Paul Molitor's hunt for an error and, after Darryl Hamilton's groundout moved the runners up, Surhoff looped a single to center off Bob Kipper.

Bine Jays 2, Yankees 0: In Toronto, the Blue Jays continued their hottest start ever, moving to 8-1 as Jimmy Key and Tom Henke combined on a three-hitter. Pat Borders drove in one run and scored the other. Key allowed all three hits, including a leadoff double by Randy Velarde in the ninth that led to his departure.

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Rangers 3, Angels 2: In Arlington, Texas, the

striking out eight and allowing six hits in seven innings. Witt made only 16 starts in 1991 because of a rotator cuff injury. Mariners 6, White Sox 0: In Chicago, Ken

Griffey Jr., Pete O'Brien and Jeff Schaefer homered to back rookie Dave Fleming, Griffey hit a two-run homer, his second, in the fourth inning. After a rain delay of 1 hour, 20 minutes, Schaefer hit a two-run homer in the top of the fifth. It was Schaefer's first homer of the season and second of his career.

Tigers 8, Indians 1: Alan Trammell and Milt Cuyler each drove in two runs and Eric King. an Indians pitcher last season, allowed nine hits in seven imnings in Cleveland. Eric Bell lost in his first start since he was with Baltimore in 1987, allowing four runs and seven hits in 3%

Red Sox 6, Orioles 5: In Boston, Jody Reed broke an eighth-inning tie with a two-run single. The game was tied, 4-4, when Tom Brunansky and Mo Vaughn singled. Tim Nachring Rangers got a solid effort from Bobby Witt, sacrificed, Wade Boggs was walked intentional-who won for the first time since last May, ly and Reed singled for a 6-4 lead.

SIDELINES

Partizan Belgrade Wins in Basketball

ISTANBUL (IHT) — Alexander Djordevic hit a 3-pointer in the last four seconds to give Partizan Belgrade a 71-70 victory over Joventul Badalooa Thursday for the European basketball championship. Six seconds earlier, a drive by Tomas Jofresa had given Joventut a 70-

68 lead, bringing the largely pro-Spanish crowd to its feet, until Djordevic, with 23 points, rushed the ball down the floor and put up his offbalance prayer over three defenders. Predrag Danilovic led Partizan with

25 points and was named Final Four MVP.

In the consolation game, Philips Milan took third place by beating Estudiantes Madrid, 99-81, on 20 points hy John Rogers.

Golf's Ban on Tumba Cut to 3 Years

WENTWORTH, England (Reuters) - The Swedish golfer Johan Tumba, who was banned for 10 years from the European Tour in January for changing his scorecard, had his suspension reduced to three years on appeal on Thursday.

Tumba, 28, had been found guilty of altering his scorecard at the European Tour's pre-qualifiers in France in October. His appeal was heard at the Tour's headquarters at Wentworth on Thursday.

The British Ryder Cup captain, Bernard Gallacher, was among four members of the Tour's Board of Directors who heard the appeal and decided the original punishment was too severe. Tumba and his lawyer, Robert Reid, said they would consider another appeal, to the High Court.

8 Cities Want Olympics Site in 2000

LAUSANNE, Switzerland (AP) — Eight cities have submitted official requests to stage the Summer Olympics in the year 2000, the International Olympic Committee said Thursday.

The IOC said bids were submitted by Berlin; Beijing; Brasilia; Istanhul; Manchester, England; Milan, Sydney, and Tashkent, Uzbekistan. The deadline for entries was midnight Wednesday.

The IOC will make its choice at a meeting in September 1993.

Ben Hogan Items Stolen From Club

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Priceless momentos belonging to the golf legend Ben Hogan, including the diamond-encrusted gold belt buckle he received as winner of the 1953 S. Rae Hickock Award, have been stolen from the trophy room at the Colonial Country Club. A \$5,000 reward was posted by chih officials Wednesday for informa-tion leading to the conviction of the thief and for the return of the items stolen Monday night from the cluh's Ben Hogan Trophy Room.

For the Kecord

The South African rugby union's chief, Danie Craven, said Thursday that the union would postpone its June tour of Italy and Romania after threats by an anti-apartheid group to disrupt the tour. (Reuters)

Teemu Selame, Finland's brightest ice hockey star, declined Thursday to play for the national team in the World Ice Hockey Championships in Czechoslovakia, April 28 to May 10.

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I LL HAVE ONE SAN ANTONIO - Jerry Taramian is jumping from college to the pros by joining the San Antonio Sous, but he says his coaching syle won't take a quantum leap. Tarkanian, named the coach of the Spins on Wednesday, said his successful UNLY Runnin' Rebels played the way many National Bas-isball Association teams do. "I tlimk for years we played the

NRA style of basketball — we
pressed and we ran," he said.

We'll be the Runnin, Spurs." Tarkanian said he would spend time observing the Spurs and

watching game videotapes before deciding on specific changes. His aid improving the team's running time and continuing to concentificate defense will be high priori-Tinow the personnel here and I are the fearn very much," Tarkan-im said. There's tremendous pocutial here, and I hope we can put

raything together right." He will take over after this seaton. Bob Bass, the Spurs' vice presi-tent of basketball operations, will continue as interim coach until then, as he has since Larry Brown was fixed Jan. 21.

The Spars's owner, Red McCombs, said Tarkanian had speed to a "multiyear" deal Conhact terms were not disclosed. Tar-kanian will be the team's color commentator for the remainder of

A report in the San Antonio Ex-press News Thursday said Tarkenin had received a two-year contract worth \$500,000 per season phis an option year.

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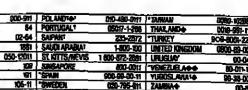
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Perot for President?

By Russell Baker

NEW YORK — We can have H. Ross Perot for president if we ask him. He is a businessman and a rare example of the species new taxes, no new etcetera, etcetnowadays: hasn't even gone bankrupt, apparently.

This raises the question whether he is really a businessman or just another billionaire poseur, like the late J. Paul Getty, who parlayed his oil gold into an excuse for endlessly disgorging his philosophy of life into the columns of Playboy maga-

Is Perot merely trying to parlay his billions into a mess of State of the Union bromides? If be succeeds will Perot's administration be as brain-numbing as J. Paul Getty's philosophy of life? Or is Perot the real thing, the businessman Ameri-

ca yearns for? Americans are always saying we should get rid of politicians and put businessmen in charge. They believe businessmen are masters of efficiency with the know-how to end waste, or, as it is now called, "redundancy."

If you are a Wall Street Journal junkie you know what to expect of a government led by an anthentic businessman: first, dramatic costcutting techniques. The pioneer in the art was Frank Lorenzo, who took Continental Airlines into bankruptcy so he could break its labor contracts.

Lorenzo's is a tempting lesson for the White House business-type. See him face-to-face with Godzilla: the staggering costs created by various obligatory cash disbursements popularly called "Social Security." Remembering Lorenzo, he probably says. "Why not bankrupt the country and end this money hemorrbage once and for all?"

Sure, congressional lint-pickers would whine. They'd say the Lorenzo strategy was unconstitutional. or unfair, or un-something-or-other. They'd say bankruptcy for the world's wealthiest nation was transparently phony. Until we purge Congress of politicians and fill it up with efficient, cost-cutting businessmen, such protest will be

the norm, but it is easily crushed. The winning riposte goes like this: "Yes, we are the world's wealthiest nation, and we can easily recover from bankruptcy and restore Social Security if Congress would like to raise taxes.

of politicians - you can absolutely rely upon it - will set up a coastto-coast bray: "No new taxes, no

But people separated from their Social Security money will demand new taxes, won't they? Yes, and they will insist that somebody else pay them since they, bona fide Social Security recipients, bave worked hard for the right to be taxexempt. Why doesn't somebody nake the Canadians chip in? Or the Japanese and Germans? After all we did for those ingrates . . .

Meanwhile, having bankrupted the country and inflicted hardship on many in the national citizenforce, what does an authentic American businessman in the White House do next? Goes for a big pay raise, golden parachute, the

He has probably read about Steven Ross of Time Warner paying himself \$50 or \$60 or \$80 million after knocking several bundred cost-inefficient bands off Time's work force. Even if he hasn't he knows that after leading their companies to record losses, CEOs all over America are entitled to big

pay increases. A company on the edge of disaster needs the canniest CEO money can buy. The more money he gets, the theory goes, the cannier he must be. In the case of authentic businessmen, nothing succeeds like

So the first thing an authentic businessman-president would do after achieving national bankruptcy? Ask Congress to double his pay. Will Congress take the opportunity in passing to double its own pay? Will the sun rise in the East? When the United States is in trouble it needs the best money can

Now, war on inefficiency: The Pentagon and State Department have pretty sorry records bere, but a businessman knows about offshore opportunities. Mexico, Singapore, Taiwan - you can get mighty good warmakers and diplomats over there, and a lot cheaper

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Reflections on Whiteness: One Diagnosis

By Lynne Duke

Washington Pau Service

N EW YORK — Andrew Hacker is talking about whiteness, saying it's a "condition," like a "virus" of the psyche. It makes whites react to blacks as superiors to inferiors. Whiteness perceives blackness as a "stain," like a drop of ink in water. Whiteness is a delusional state of mind that was used to justify slavery and that persists to this day to justify white privilege. White people know these things somewhere deep down, says Hacker, but they will it away, act like it's not true.

"Everybody of Caucasian, European descent does believe we belong to a superior strain," says the courtly professor and author of a much-disputed new book, "Two Nations, Black and White, Separate, Hostile, Unequal."

"I could go further and say that I may believe this and hate myself for believing it and wish I didn't believe it and wish I could exorcise this belief from my mind. That was the Jeffersonian dilemma, and he couldn't. And I'm afraid most of us can't. That's part of the buman condition."

Hacker is distressed by white America. On moral grounds, it "has a lot to face about itself," he says. He says be hopes his white readers will at least stop and think about themselves and the "unearned privileges" they get simply by virtue of their color. "It's not so much that you should feel bad about it and go around knocking your head against a wall - mea culpa, mea culpa. But at least you should understand."

Hacker, 62, offers only a diagnosis, no cure. He is the cool, dispassionate observer, not any kind of activist. He won't even peg himself politically. Wryly, he offers this: "I could say. I'm a historian. I simply sit on a cloud and look down on what fools these mortals be."

Author of seven books and frequent contributor to The New York Review of Books and The New York Times, Hacker teaches political science at Queens College.

When he started this latest book six years ago, Hacker thought be'd be writing about "race relations." But the phrase seemed to imply more engagement, more reciprocity, than really exists. Black and white are here, together, coexisting - that is true. But "relations" as a way of characterizing race "didn't work." Hacker says.

"We're in the same box," be says, "but all the time still two nations." Eventually, this condition of whiteness emerged to Hacker as "the great truth." Against a statistical backdrop on the quality of life for blacks and whites, Hacker's book, released by Charles Scribner's Sons earlier this year, paints a grim and complicated picture of racial interaction. The condition is

"chronic," be says in an interview, "almost like a cancer." "From slavery through the present, this nation has never opened its doors sufficiently to give black Americans a chance to become full citizens," he writes. Yes, progress has been made, he says. But with it have come rising expectations that remain unfulfilled.

With an array of government statistics on measures of well-being such as education, family life, income, crime and welfare. Hacker constructs a racial paradigm with the effect of whiteness at its center.

In Hacker's paradigm, for instance, the SAT scores of affluent black teens are about the same as poor white teens because, even in affluence, blacks tend to live in black neighborboods, go to segregated black schools and churches, and are cut off by racial tradition from the white-defined cultural body of knowledge assumed by



Andrew Hacker: An academic considers white dread

In the paradigm, it is not accident of fate or the natural result of a fair and free market that, in 1990 median incomes, black families earned \$580 for every \$1,000 earned by white families.

Many analysts have concluded that this income disparity exists in large part because blacks tend to have less education than whites. But even allowing for education, Hacker says, something still is awry. Black male lawyers between 35 and 45 years old earn on average \$790 for every \$1,000 of their white counterparts, while black female lawyers in the same age group earn \$930 for every \$1,000 of their white female counterparts.

"A suspicion cannot help but arise that some of the racial earnings spread among men stems from the fact that black men are given fewer opportunities to rise to better-paid positions," Hacker writes.

He also uses statistics to show that some trends generalassociated with blacks also are at work among whites. Although the incidence of out-of-wedlock births and female-headed households for years has been disproportion-ately high among blacks, from 1950 to 1990 the rates increased at the same pace as for whites, he writes. In his paradigm, too, blacks killing each other and

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populating the United States's prisons in ever-rising numbers — 45 percent of all prisoners — are expressions not simply of "free acts performed of personal volition," but of "a despair that suffuses much of their race."

That despair exists, Hacker says, because of the damaging effects of whiteness. The book has been met with wildly mixed reviews.

Tamar Jacoby wrote in The Wall Street Journal that Hacker's views are "patronizing" to blacks. Jim Sleeper of Newsday called the book an example of "white liberal guilt run amuck." He attacked Hacker for making excuses for the troubles blacks face and "failing to keep faith with whites and independent-minded blacks."

Roger Wilkins, writing in the Boston Globe, called the

ook's effect "devastating."
"We are left." he wrote, "with the crushing effect of what we have done to ourselves by using race as our defining tool and lying most of the time about what we are doing."
Tom Wicker, writing in The New York Times, said the

"real value of the book, despite its wealth of data, is in Mr. Hacker's calm, analytical eye, his unblinking view of American history and his unwillingness to accept cant and 'common sense' as facts."

Hacker likes to think he is asking questions whose answers lie beneath the coded language of contemporary racial discourse.

"Of course there is fear of crime," he writes. "It crops up in every poll, and has become a conversation staple. Still, most white Americans do not live in or near areas where violence stalks the streets. Nor are many whites in situations where they may fail to obtain positions or promotions where they may ran to obtain positions of prostreets to preferential policies favoring black applicants. Nor does a significant share of the taxes paid by white householders support black families on welfare or out-of-wedlock children.

How, then, can a minority so unsettle a national majority?

Hacker answers his own question. "I give you two options. You can either have \$500 in your pocket and be mugged by a white robber, or you can have \$20 and be accosted by a black. Which would you take? And all would much rather the white mugger, despite the loss of the larger sum

"Now. What is that? There's this dread of black crime. The Willie Horton syndrome. It is not simply 'He's goana take your money,' but rather that in addition to taking your money he may take an extra minute, a second, and do something to pay back what your people have done to his people. That's the white dread."

Alexis de Tocqueville wrote 157 years ago, in "Democracy in America":

"The danger of conflict between the white and the black inhabitants perpetually haunts the imaginations of Americans, like a painful dream."

The haunting is one of the strains of what Hacker calls the "European virus," rooted in slavery like so much else in his view. And the creation of a rationale for slavery the so-called superiority of whites, which he calls the "artifact of whiteness" — still haunts America too. He writes that among whites "there remains an unarticulated suspicion: might there be something about the black race that suited them for slavery? This is not to say anyone argues that human bondage was justified. Still, the facts that slavery existed for so long and was so taken for granted cannot be erased from American minds."

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Everyone else seems to spay imitators, so why shouldn't Christo, the specialist in wrapping such large objects as bridges and buildings and attracting press at tention? New York is negotiation with the "environmental artists" Philipp Krebs and Sabine Lates who plan to dress the Brookly Bridge, age 109, in a garment that resembles the top of a bikini. The hope to dress the bridge in its hales top in May 1993.

The lights illuminating the topol the Empire State Building in New York were turned off Wednesday to mark Inmate No. 15113-056 first night in prison. The inmate known in civilian life as Lean Helmsley, 71, has begun a four year term for tax evasion. She and her husband, Harry, 83, own the skyscraper, the darkening of which be called a "symbolic gesture."

Two of the items that brough the highest bids in the auction in Chicago of Al Capone's household effects were a mounted sailfish which sold for \$5,200, and the gangster's autograph, which went for \$3,600. The signature is "one in a million," said Richard Morell, a name was attached to a Christmas card that Capone sent to a priest who had befriended him during his stay in Alcatraz prison in Califor-

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